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Cactus or Decorative Dahlias.

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AND OTHER PLANTS.

THIS section is the greatest favourite either for decoration or for cutting purposes, not only on account of their brilliant and varied shades, but for the peculiar formation of their flowers, so distinct in every way from the ordinary varieties. Some of the varieties resemble Japanese Chrysanthemums, in some the florets long and tapering, some flat, in others the petals cleft at the ends, forming as it were a fringe to the flower, many of them twisted and unusual shades of colour, and all having a peculiar grace and beauty not found in any other section. The figure given will give a very good idea of their general appearance; they are all exceptionally free flowering, and the varieties most in demand for cutting purposes.



DAHLIA JUAREZII.

I have much pleasure in calling attention to my new ones of this season; they are all far ahead of any other varieties, and the finest set ever sent out in one season. *Mrs. Peart* is a marvellous Novelty, the first pure white Cactus Dahlia yet raised, and during the coming season will become quite a sensational plant. I purpose growing a large stock and exhibiting it freely during the coming season, and only intend offering a very few plants. All the new varieties now offered I can very strongly recommend, are quite equal in their way to that splendid Novelty (*Delicata*) I had the pleasure of sending out, which has become one of the most popular of the day.

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS for 1893.

***MRS. A. PEART!** the finest White Cactus
Dahlia yet raised.

— This is the first real White Cactus Dahlia yet raised, and is unquestionably the grandest Novelty in the whole family of Dahlias; it is a fac-simile of "Juarezi," but of the purest white, and any further description of this plant is unnecessary. I only purpose offering a few plants this season, so that its great beauty will be more quickly known, and would suggest ordering early to secure.

15/- each.

*sehr grobble, aber nicht! pure white
 yellow practicable! towards the centre
 yellowish*

***BERTHA MAWLEY.** — This is a very novel and pleasing variety, and one that will take a foremost place in every collection of Cactus Dahlias. It is distinct in form from any yet raised, resembling very much some of the Japanese Chrysanthemums. the flower is large, the florets long and spiral tapering to a point, the flowers standing well above the foliage on stiff wiry stems of a rich cochineal colour, distinct in shade from any others, and a really first-class variety. First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia, Royal Horticultural, and International Horticultural Societies. 7/6 each. *sehr schön!*

***COUNTESS OF GOSFORD.** — In general character this somewhat resembles preceding, the florets very long, tapering to a point, and regularly curling, giving it a very grotesque and singular appearance, it is a marvellous improvement upon all the old varieties, there is nothing like it, and will become exceedingly popular. The colour is a rich cinnamon shaded towards the centre with gold, a unique shade, and one of the finest introductions of the season. Has been awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia, Royal Horticultural, and International Horticultural Societies. 7/6 each.

***COUNTESS OF RADNOR.** — This variety is unique in its colour, there is nothing to be compared to it, and one I cannot readily describe, it is a combination of the most delicate shades of orange, bronze, yellow and other intermediate shades, blended together very harmoniously, and there is no variety to equal it. The raiser of this variety describes it as possessing every delicate shade seen in an autumn sunset, the flower is of medium size, and intermediate between a Cactus and Decorative variety, exceptionally free blooming, and one that will be found in every collection as soon as it becomes better known. Has been awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia, Royal Horticultural, and International Horticultural Societies. 7/6 each.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, "DELICATA," *see page 4.*

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS FOR 1893—continued.

***KAISERIN.**—This is another very novel and pleasing variety, a true Cactus, but quite distinct in formation from those described above, the flowers are large, of a rich sulphur yellow, the outer florets tinged with lemon, a very soft pleasing shade, and distinct in every way from any previously offered. It is also exceptionally free blooming, the whole of the plant being covered with flowers all the season, and on this account will be much appreciated for cutting purposes. Has been awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia, Royal Horticultural, and International Horticultural Societies. 7/6 each.

***MAY PICTOR.**—Too much cannot be said for this magnificent variety, it is far ahead of anything yet seen in the Cactus Dahlias, and the number of Certificates that have been awarded are a little indication of the great value set upon this variety by the various Societies; the colour is a soft yellow, flowers of medium size, florets long and beautifully twisted, and very full and exceptionally free flowering, and as it only grows 3 feet in height will be acknowledged one of the finest of the dwarf section of the Cactus Dahlias; as a decorative plant it is one of the very best, and but few equal it on the exhibition table. Awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia, Royal Horticultural, and Brighton Horticultural Societies. 7/6 each.

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS OF 1892.

***BARON SCHRODER.**—This is a distinct and beautiful variety, the flowers are of the true Cactus form, large, petals of great substance and beautifully arranged, and of a rich glowing Imperial purple, quite a new shade and one that has become a great favourite with everyone. The habit of the plant is good, not more than 3 feet high, remarkably free flowering, the blooms standing well above the foliage. Awarded Three First-Class Certificates. 2/6 each.

BEAUTY OF EYNSFORD.—A very pleasing and distinct colour, and a great favourite, especially with the Ladies; it is a soft rich buff shaded with chestnut, deeper in the centre, a true Cactus, and not growing more than 3½ feet. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate. 2/6 each.

COUNTESS OF PEMBROKE.—This is a charming variety, certainly one of the most beautiful of this section, and one that will take a leading position among the Decorative Dahlias. The colour is a beautiful pleasing lilac, the base of each floret a sea-green, forming a striking combination, and giving a beautiful display of light and shade. The flowers are of good size, produced in marvellous profusion, the plant of medium height, and is, unquestionably, one of the most distinct yet raised. 2/- each.

DELICATA—This was the great sensational plant of 1892, and is at the present moment one of the most popular of this family, and if only three varieties were grown *Delicata* should be one. It is a favourite with every one, the most severe critics admit it to be the best one yet raised. The Horticultural and even the Daily Press cannot speak too highly of it, and there is no variety that has been praised so much as this. The illustration given on page 3 gives a capital idea of its form, which is perfection, the flowers are of medium size, not in any way coarse, standing well above the foliage on stiff wiry stems, and one of the freest in bloom of this section. The colour is a lovely shade of pink shading towards the centre to a pale yellow, a lovely combination, and one I cannot too highly recommend. It has been awarded many Certificates, and is one of the most popular at the Exhibitions, and there is scarcely a winning stand without this variety. 1/6 each; 15/- per doz.

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS OF 1892—CONTINUED.

ERNEST CANNELL.—A very pretty and pleasing variety, large well formed flowers of a very distinct shade of soft red deepening towards the centre. It has a very free branching habit, only growing $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet in height, and one of the freest blooming of the New Cactus Dahlias. Has been awarded a **First-Class Certificate**. 2/6 each.

KYNERITH.—Another remarkable variety, and one I cannot too strongly recommend. An improvement upon *Juarezi* in its freedom of flowering and in colour, and will I am sure become a great favourite. The flower is perfection in form, large and free, petals fluted and twisted like *Juarezi*, remarkably free blooming, each flower standing well above the foliage, while the colour is a brilliant vermilion shading to a lighter shade at the base of the petals. Awarded **several First-Class Certificates**. 2/6 each.

MRS. KEITH.—A most charming variety, with the Ladies a special favourite; not only a beautifully formed flower, but a very unusual shade, a colour very difficult to describe, silvery fawn suffused with pink and tipped with rose is about the best description I can give of it. It was freely exhibited during the past season and was one of the great attractions, and was awarded **Three First-Class Certificates**. 2/- each.

MRS. THORNTON.—Deep rich pink shading to magenta in the centre, a fine bold flower with broad flat florets and exceptionally free blooming. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** at the **Great Dahlia Exhibition**. 2/6 each.

MRS. GLASSE.—In this variety we have a model of what a good Decorative Dahlia should be. One great objection to many of the old varieties is size, growing too tall, thus rendering them unfit for general decoration, especially in small gardens. This variety is very dwarf, at the very outside not more than 3 feet high, and producing flowers in far greater quantities than most of the taller varieties—this alone is quite sufficient to warrant its becoming a favourite for general decoration. The colour is unique in its way, and one difficult to describe, crimson-maroon shading to scarlet towards the centre, being perhaps the nearest, but there is such a depth of colour and such a velvety finish as to attract the attention of everyone. The flower is large and full, flat petalled, and an acquisition to this section. 2/- each.

MRS. GEORGE MARSHALL.—This is a great improvement upon *Empress of India*, which has always been a great favourite and acknowledged to be one of the best in cultivation. The variety now offered is an exceptional one, far ahead of its prototype, and will eventually become one of our most popular varieties. The flowers are large and full, petals quilled and very pointed, while the colour is a deep magenta heavily edged with velvety crimson. It is not only a better formed flower than *Empress of India*, but a richer and deeper colour, and much freer flowering, and for cutting or general decoration a variety of inestimable value, and one I can highly recommend. 2/-

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS OF 1892—CONTINUED.

MRS. VINCE.—Another very pleasing and effective variety, a peculiar shade of colour, quite distinct from any other variety, and one of the best of my Novelties of 1892. One of its great attractions is its dwarf compact habit, not exceeding 3 feet in height, and on this account must be considered a decided improvement. The object of all raisers of this popular family is to obtain a race of dwarf compact growing varieties that will produce flowers quite as freely as the tall growing ones, and equally as good, and this variety is one of the best in this direction. It is exceptionally free flowering, flowers large, fine form, petals slightly quilled, of a lovely silvery-rose slightly flushed with magenta at the base of the petals, a most delicate shade. 2/6 each.

PRINCESS CHRISTIAN.—A very pleasing shade of magenta deepening to maroon at the base of the florets, which are flat and massive; a fine large flower, standing well above the foliage, and always smothered with flowers. Awarded a **First-Class Certificate**. 2/6 each.

ROBERT CANNELL.—Perfection in form, a counterpart of the old *Juarezi*, flowers of a rich magenta with a decided bluish tinge towards the tips of the petals, fine full flowers, and a variety that should be found in every collection. Awarded a **First-Class Certificate**. 2/6 each.

RAYON D'OR.—One of the greatest Novelties among the Fancy section, distinct, striking, and effective, and a great favourite with everyone. The colour is unique, bright orange with a conspicuous band of white running through each petal; you can fancy the effect of a plant covered with such flowers. These are of medium size, broad stout petals, and very abundant, and was one of the great attractions at the various exhibitions last autumn. It was awarded **First-Class Certificate** by the Royal Horticultural Society, and at the Royal Aquarium. 2/6 each.

ST. CATHERINE.—A true Cactus variety, florets long spiral and pointed, of a curious shade of bronzy yellow, very distinct, by far the best of this shade; remarkably free flowering, and for cutting or decorative purposes cannot be too highly recommended. 2/6 each.

SIR ROGER.—Flowers of medium size, long, pointed florets of a soft orange red, deepening towards the centre, fine bushy habit, only growing 3½ feet in height. Was awarded a **First Class Certificate**. 2/6 each.

SULTANA.—A fine bold flower, belonging really to the Decorative and not to the Cactus Section, the flowers are large and of great substance, while the colour is of a rich buff distinctly tipped with white, rendering it really distinct, and one of the most beautiful of this section. 2/6 each.

VISCOUNTESS FOLKESTONE.—A very short and easy way of describing this Novelty is to call it a primrose coloured *Juarezi*, it is a fac-simile of that variety in form, but of a soft primrose yellow, deepening towards the centre to deep yellow, and sometimes slightly shaded with pink. It is remarkably free blooming, the flowers standing well above the foliage, and is unquestionably a first-class Novelty, and one I know will be highly appreciated. 2/6 each.

CACTUS OR DECORATIVE DAHLIAS, General Collection.

THE following are all really first-class varieties, varying considerably in habit, form and colour, all of which have been thoroughly tested and proved to be of exceptional merit, and are now recognised by the public as being among the best of this interesting group. The following collection is so select that it would be impossible to individualize any variety for special mention; all are good, and invaluable for general decoration or for cutting, especially where cut flowers are wanted in quantity; the colours too are remarkably bright and cheerful, and the form of flowers so distinct from the ordinary Show and Fancy Dahlias that there is not much wonder at their being so popular.

Amphion.—This is still one of the most distinct yet raised, and a great favourite in every garden in which Dahlias are cultivated. It is of a bold vigorous habit, about 4ft. in height, flowers of medium size and very abundant, of a rich chrome yellow, flushed with cerise, and one I cannot too highly recommend. A **First-Class Certificate** was awarded by the **National Dahlia Society**, and by the **Royal Horticultural Society**. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Asia.—This has stood the test of severe criticism, and is now acknowledged by everyone to be one of the very best of this particular shade, which is a delicate Peach. It is very early in bloom, flowers large, very distinct in form, and much freer in bloom than many of this section. It is a great favourite for cutting, as there are but few of this delicate shade. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Beauty of Brentwood.—A novel and distinct variety, closely resembling *Juarezi* in general appearance, but of a distinct shade of purple, and a great favourite on account of its Cactus-like form. It is a special favourite, and is invariably selected as being one of the best; remarkably free blooming, flowers of medium size and of good form, and one I can highly recommend. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Beauty of Arundel.—This is a sport from *Juarezi*, resembling it in every respect except colour, which is a glowing crimson, the tips of the petals shaded with bright rosy-purple. It is a true Cactus, and quite distinct in colour. **First-Class Certificate** by the **Royal Horticultural Society**. 1/- each; 15/- per dozen.

Black Prince.—One of the most beautiful varieties ever raised, and by far the best of all the dark coloured kinds. The habit is everything that can be desired, very dwarf and compact, very free blooming, the flowers thrown well above the foliage, and with the immense number of flowers and the striking colour, marks it at once as one of the most beautiful decorative varieties. The flowers are large yet not coarse, and of an intense velvety-black, the richest and darkest coloured variety yet raised. It was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Dahlia Society**; **Award of Merit**, **Royal Horticultural Society**; **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Chrysanthemum Society**. 9d. each; 8/- per dozen. **See fig. page 8.**

Cannell's Favourite.—Yellow-bronze or old gold colour, quite distinct from all others, of medium size, and a remarkably free bloomer. Has been awarded a **First-Class Certificate**. 2/- each.



THE DARKEST CACTUS IN CULTIVATION,

See page 7.

CACTUS VARIETIES, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

Centennial.—A bold showy variety, somewhat in the way of *Zulu*, of remarkably free habit, and throwing the flowers well above the foliage, so that every one is seen to advantage. These are of medium size, of a beautiful magenta crimson, each petal distinctly margined with maroon, forming a most charming combination of rich colours. Awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Chrysanthemum Society**. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Cochineal.—A beautiful variety, intermediate in form between a Cactus and an ordinary Show variety; somewhat flat in form, and the petals pointed, while the colour is a rich crimson, toned with a brownish shade. It is extensively grown for market, and is a variety I can strongly recommend. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate**. 3½ft. in height. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Constance—This variety is still in great demand, and by many considered one of the very best for cutting. The flowers are pure white, of good shape, and are produced in endless quantities, rendering it a first-class variety for cutting. 4ft. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Duke of Clarence.—The flowers are large, of a rich deep crimson maroon, shaded with scarlet towards the tips of the petals, perfect in form, very similar to *Juarez*, and marvellously free flowering. Another great point in this variety is its adaptability for bedding, the plant only growing 3 feet in height, consequently it is one of the most dwarf of the Cactus varieties. 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.

Edmund Weekley.—Fine robust habit, large well-formed flowers, very similar in form to *Juarez*, of a bright distinct colour, and good habit. The colour is a deep rich maroon, shading to crimson scarlet, of a beautiful velvety texture, the flowers standing well above the foliage. It is unquestionably a great advance, and is the best of this shade yet raised, and one I have every confidence in recommending. 1/- each; 9/- each.

E. J. Taylor.—A grand addition to our list of decorative varieties, especially for bedding purposes, being remarkably dwarf, and exceptionally free blooming. The flowers are of medium size, of good form, of a rich purplish-magenta shading to lake towards the edge of the petals, on long stalks, and standing well above the foliage. 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.

Empress of India.—This is considered one of the best of the group on account of its intense colour, which is an exceptionally deep rich crimson, shaded with maroon and magenta. It has a strong vigorous habit and remarkably free blooming, almost covering the foliage; the flowers are not large but of fine form, standing out conspicuously beyond the foliage, so that every flower is seen to advantage. It was awarded **First-Class Certificates** by the **Royal Horticultural** and **National Chrysanthemum Societies**; 3½ft. in height. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Fire King (*Glare of the Garden*).—A most useful and remarkably floriferous variety, producing myriads of flowers of a dazzling scarlet, somewhat in the way of a miniature *Juarez*; this variety is of considerable merit, both for border decoration and for cutting, and from its compact dwarf habit is specially fitted for planting in lines or for bedding, and when so used has a very charming effect, 3ft. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA. "MRS. G. REID." see page 13.

CACTUS VARIETIES, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

Henry Patrick.—This is one of the best White Cactus Dahlias, and is recognised by all as being a vast improvement upon *Constance*, which has hitherto reigned supreme among the Cactus Dahlias. It has somewhat large flowers, petals partially recurved and twisted, and pure white, one of the best formed flowers of this group, wonderfully free blooming, and every flower thrown well out from the foliage. Was awarded **Two First-Class Certificates.** 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Harry Freeman.—It is far ahead in every respect of *Henry Patrick*, flowers of medium size; petals of good substance and of a glistening snow-white, and produced in such marvellous quantities as to form a monster bouquet. It is impossible to adequately describe this beautiful variety, and I am proud in introducing such a novelty, as it has become one of the most popular Dahlias yet raised, either for cutting or decorative purposes. See fig. page 13. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Chrysanthemum Society.** 1/- each; 9/- dozen.

Honorina.—This is a great favourite, and distinct from all others, the unusual colour being so soft and pleasing, forming such a striking contrast when mixed with others of brighter shades. The flowers are full, of great substance, very free blooming, standing well out from the foliage, and are of a pale amber. Awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Dahlia Society**, the **Royal Horticultural Society**, and the **Crystal Palace.** 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

John Bragg.—Colour of the richest black maroon, flowers of good size, raised well above the foliage on long wiry footstalks, and so abundant as to attract the attention of everyone. One of the most attractive varieties of this section, specially recommended. 1/- each; 9/- dozen.

Juarezi (*The Old Cactus Dahlia*).—In habit this is similar to other Dahlias, but totally distinct in form, and is the parent of the new race. The flowers are of a most intense scarlet, are bold, full, and peculiarly striking; the fig. on page 1, which is much reduced from natural size, will enable anyone to form their own opinion of its merit. The petals, which are long and narrow, as shown in the engraving, are singularly twisted, imparting a most graceful and elegant appearance, and the flowers are held in very high esteem by all floral decorators, &c. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

King of the Cactus.—This is a very characteristic variety, in form much resembling *Juarezi*, producing flowers of similar style and character, but producing them much more freely and throwing them out distinctly beyond the foliage; attractive bright reddish-crimson tint, a very distinct and effective variety; 3 feet. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Lady Montague.—An exceptional shade and very effective, “a rich fiery salmon shaded with cerise” is perhaps the nearest description. It is wonderfully bright, and the effect of a number of these flowers is not easily described. The flower is perfect in form, a true Cactus, very free blooming, the flowers standing well above the foliage on long stout stems. 1/6 each; 15/- per dozen.

Maid of Kent.—Crimson, shading to an intense cherry-red, each petal heavily tipped with white, rendering it very attractive; fine habit and exceedingly free flowering. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate**, and “**Award of Merit.**” 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.

Marchioness of Bute.—A most pleasing variety, a grand improvement upon *Charming Bride*, which has hitherto been a great favourite with everyone. The colour is pure white, with bright rosy tips to each petal, rendering the flower wonderfully effective, and attracting the attention of everyone. 9d. each; 8/- per dozen.

CACTUS VARIETIES, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

Miss Barry.—Is a very novel and striking shade—a deep rosy-lake, a shade quite new in this group of Dahlias, and is in my estimation one of the very best Cactus Dahlias, and will become a great favourite, both for decoration and for cutting. The flowers are of medium size, perfect in form, and so free blooming as to form a complete bouquet. 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.

Mrs. J. Douglas.—A true Cactus, and of a very effective shade of colour, bright pinkish-salmon will perhaps give an idea of the peculiar shade. The flowers are very similar to *Juarezi*, and remarkably free blooming. 1/- each; 9/- per dozen.

Mrs. Hawkins.—A great favourite, one of the most beautiful of the true Cactus varieties yet raised. It grows about four feet in height; flowers of a lovely rich sulphur, beautifully shading towards the tips of the petals to a lighter shade; is quite as beautiful as *Juarezi* and as meritorious in every respect, and has a great advantage in point of colour. It is now pretty well known, and perhaps there is no variety so much in demand, the colour forming a special attraction, there being but few possessing such a soft and attractive shade. It is a plant deserving of the highest possible praise, and should be grown by all. It was awarded a **First Class Certificate** by the **Royal Horticultural Society** when first exhibited. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Mrs. G. Reid.—A charming variety, the colour is a pure white, conspicuously edged with rose lake, forming a charming combination, while the petals, instead of being entire as in most Dahlias, are deeply cleft, giving it a peculiar fringed appearance. This I consider one of the most beautiful of all Dahlias, and one of the best of my introductions, and is a very popular variety both for cutting or general cultivation. See fig. page 10. 9d. each; 7/6 per dozen.

Oban.—A beautiful delicate fawn, a most unusual shade among Dahlias and a favourite colour with the Ladies. The flower is of medium size, in form like *Juarezi*, but very full and remarkably free blooming, and quite distinct in colour from anything yet raised. It is exceedingly popular, especially for cutting, its soft pleasing shade blending harmoniously with the higher coloured varieties. 1/6 each; 15/- per dozen.

Panthia.—This is a grand variety, and cannot be too highly recommended, and the more it is known the more it is appreciated. It is impossible to describe it sufficiently, so as to give an adequate idea of its great beauty; it is the admiration of everyone. It is very distinct in form, having long petals similar to *Juarezi*, of a rich reddish salmon, a peculiar shade and yet very striking, one that will be appreciated by everyone, and eagerly sought after by market growers for cutting purposes. It is very free flowering, and not surpassed by any of the newer introductions. It has been awarded **Numerous First-Class Certificates**. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Pieta formosissima (*Meteor*).—This is an old variety re-introduced in 1884, having many attractions and well deserving of cultivation. The flowers are very attractive, of a bright cheerful orange-yellow, distinctly striped with scarlet, rendering it very conspicuous as a border plant and invaluable for cutting, and is a great favourite with everyone, 4 feet. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Professor Baldwin.—This is an exact counterpart of *Juarezi*, both in size and form, but of a bright orange and much freer in bloom; the flowers too are thrown well out from the foliage, and in this respect is an improvement upon the old Cactus Dahlia. It is quite distinct in colour, and a plant I can highly recommend, as it is without a doubt the best of the true Cactus section, and a great favourite with everyone for cutting purposes. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.



NEW CACTUS DAHLIA, "HARRY FREEMAN," see page 11.

CACTUS VARIETIES, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

Robert Maher.—This is decidedly the finest of all the yellows, and is the nearest approach to a "yellow *Juarez*" yet raised. The flowers are of medium size, very similar in form to the "Old Cactus," of a rich golden yellow, marvellously free blooming, and standing well above the foliage on long stiff stems, and only growing about 3½ ft., will make a good bedding variety, and is far ahead of all yellow Dahlias up to date either for decoration or cutting purposes, and if only six Dahlias are grown this should be one. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **National Chrysanthemum Society**, and an **Award of Merit** at the **Royal Horticultural Society**. See fig. on cover. 9d. each; 8/- per dozen.

Salmon Queen.—A remarkably dwarf free flowering variety, which has proved one of the best of this section for bedding purposes. It is of medium size, flowers somewhat in the way of the old *Fire King*, but of a soft reddish salmon and marvellously free blooming; for cutting it is invaluable and must become one of the most popular of this section. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Sidney Hollings.—Another beautiful variety, quite as dark yet quite distinct from *Zulu*, and one I consider a really first-class variety, either for decorative or cutting purposes. The flowers are of good form, of a deep rich maroon shading to black, and very free flowering. This is one of the darkest of this group, and very effective, dwarf compact habit, and the enormous number of blossoms produced on each plant render it exceedingly effective. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Viridiflora.—One of the greatest curiosities of the vegetable kingdom; flowers double, of a glistening green colour. Has a very pleasing effect when mixed with cut flowers of other coloured varieties; 2½ feet. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

W. T. Abery.—This is very effective and a really first-class decorative variety, although the flowers are not so perfect as I should wish, being only semi-double. The petals are pure white, distinctly edged with bright scarlet, rendering it very conspicuous, and only 2 feet in height; one of the dwarfest in the whole of this section. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

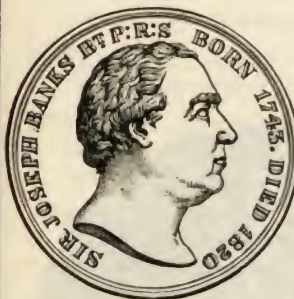
William Darvill.—Partakes somewhat of the style of *Henry Patrick*, producing its blooms upon long wiry stems thrown well above the foliage, from the time of the first flowers opening until the last have appeared; in this sense it is an exceptional variety, half the beauty of many sorts being hidden amongst the foliage. The colour is a bright purplish magenta, very free flowering, and one of the most useful and attractive, 3½ feet. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

William Pearce.—This is a very novel introduction, and one that has given universal satisfaction, and is now one of the most popular of this section. It is a true Cactus variety, having a free branching habit, growing about 3½ feet, producing flowers in the wildest profusion. These are thrown well above the foliage on stout wiry footstalks, and are of a rich buttery-yellow, and of good form, and one of the best cutting varieties in my collection. I cannot too highly recommend it, as it is quite as beautiful as the well known *Mrs. Hawkins* or *Henry Patrick*, which are among the cream of the Cactus or Decorative varieties. It was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** by the **Royal Horticultural Society**. 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

Yellow A. W. Tait.—Very similar to the old *A. W. Tait*, but of a bright yellow, a grand addition to the fimbriated section, and one I would specially recommend. Has been awarded several **First-Class Certificates**. 9d. each; 8/- per dozen.

POMPONE DAHLIAS.

Bouquet or Miniature Varieties.



This section is exceedingly popular, and will always command a great amount of attention, owing to its great value for cutting and decorative purposes. My collection is a very extensive one, embracing every variety up to date worthy of cultivation, in-

cluding every shade of colour, and the most perfect miniature flowers it is possible to imagine; they were the admiration of everyone, both in my Nursery and at all the various Exhibitions, many never having seen such brilliant colours and such perfect flowers. Most of the varieties are of a dwarf bushy habit, the majority growing about 2½ feet in height, some even less, producing in the wildest profusion myriads of miniature flowers of the most perfect form, brilliant colours, and exceedingly varied, in many cases two or three colours beautifully blended in one, rendering them wonderfully effective.

Nothing can be more exquisite in the beds or borders than these, quantities massed together producing the grandest effect; they are also adapted for pot cultivation, and for cut flowers it is quite impossible to over-estimate their worth. For this purpose acres are grown for Covent Garden, and the enormous demand is still increasing, as their adaptabilities are so numerous, the colours are so bright and effective, and they last for a considerable time in a cut state, which is a point of considerable importance to our Floral decorators.

New Pomponé Varieties for 1893.

I think the following collection of Novelties are the finest lot ever sent out in one season, every one is a marked improvement, and I have much pleasure in calling your special attention to them, every one can be thoroughly relied upon.

ARTHUR WEST.—Deep rich crimson, medium sized flowers, perfect in form, and exceptionally free blooming. Received an Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society. 3 ft. 2/6 ea.

EVA.—Rosy carmine, small flowers, perfection in form, good habit, very dwarf and compact in habit, and covered with flowers, and distinct in every way; a great beauty. First-Class Certificate by the National Dahlia Society. 2 feet. 2/6 each.

GIPSY.—Rich plum, very dwarf habit, medium sized flowers, perfection in form, and remarkably free blooming; a very popular shade, and undoubtedly the best in this section. 2 feet. 2/6 each.

LITTLE SWEETHEART.—Flowers small, colour red, tipped white, good habit; it is remarkably free flowering, and constant, every flower coming perfect. 2 feet. 2/6 each.



GROUP OF DOUBLE POMPONE OR BOUQUET DAHLIAS.

NEW POMPONE DAHLIAS FOR 1893.—CONTINUED.

- MARY KIRK.**—Perfection in form, fine bushy habit, and very free flowering, flowers of a soft pleasing yellow; a variety that should be in every collection. 2½ feet. 2/6 each.
- REVENGE.**—A beautiful rich mauve deepening to purple, a fine showy variety and quite distinct, medium sized flowers and remarkably free, and a fine variety for cutting purposes; 3 ft. 2/6 each.
- SUNSHINE.**—Geranium scarlet. This is without doubt the most splendid scarlet Pomponé yet raised, of fine form, perfect shape, good habit and very free, a grand acquisition and a grand exhibition flower; 3 feet. 2/6 each.
- TOMMY KEITH.**—Cardinal red, tipped white, small flower, good habit, dwarf and free, very constant. Awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Chrysanthemum Society, the International Horticultural Exhibition, and Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society; 3 feet. 2/6 each.
- WINIFRED.**—A beautiful pure white, in fine weather tipped lavender, small neat flower, perfect form and remarkably free, and very dwarf. Awarded a First-Class Certificate at the International Horticultural Exhibition, Earl's Court. 2/6 each.

New Pomponé Varieties of 1892.

- CECIL.**—Beautifully formed flowers, red tipped with white, distinct and good. First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society. 2/- each.
- LORNA DOONE.**—Rosy purple, dark purple tip, small flowers, remarkably pretty, and good habit. First-Class Certificates from the National Dahlia and Royal Horticultural Societies. 2/- each.
- LILIAN.**—Primrose, deeply edged with peach, a most perfect flower; a first-class habit, and undoubtedly one of the very best ever raised. 2/- each.
- MARS.**—Bright scarlet, dwarf, free habit. First-Class Certificates from Royal Horticultural Society and National Dahlia Society. 2/- each.
- MIDGET.**—Soft rose, small and beautifully formed, very free flowering, excellent habit. Was awarded First-Class Certificates, Royal Aquarium and National Dahlia Society. 2/- each.
- MRS. WALTER BESANT.**—A grand acquisition; flowers a soft salmon, tipped with cerise, medium size, perfection in form, and very free; 2 feet. Received an Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society. 2/- each.
- NELLIE MACHRAY.**—A first-class Novelty; the colour is a deep reddish salmon, remarkably free blooming, flowers of medium size, of good form and quite distinct, very dwarf compact habit; 2 feet. Received an Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society. 2/- each.
- ROSE PERRY.**—Sulphur ground, beautifully tipped rose-lake, of a very dwarf and compact habit, remarkably free flowering, and was invariably selected last season as one of the best in my collection. 2/- each.

POMPONE DAHLIAS, General Collection.

Strong plants, my selection, 6/- and 9/- per dozen ; Purchaser's selection, 12/- per dozen.

Achilles, soft rich lilac, a beautiful shade and one much wanted in this section.

Admiration, crimson, tipped with white, very free, and wonderfully effective.

Ariel, rich clear orange buff, perfect flower, free.

Catherine, bright yellow, very distinct, neat

Cleopatra, deep rose, quite distinct, perfect form, good substance, very free.

Corsair, yellow, heavily edged with bronzy red, a grand acquisition to the Fancy class.

Crimson Beauty, the best crimson yet raised, of medium growth, the flowers perfect in form and very abundant, awarded numerous First Class Certificates.

Dandy, crimson-purple, small and very pretty.

Darkness, very dark, perhaps the best of its class.

Dora, pale primrose and white, very attractive.

Eccentric, a flower of most varied character, at times warm chestnut splashed with white, at others creamy yellow with chestnut shading.

Eli Millard, white, shaded with pink, very free.

E. F. Jungker, amber, small compact flower.

Eurydice, blush, tipped with purple, very pleasing.

Fairy Tales, delicate primrose, fine shape.

Favourite, deep velvety maroon, crimson edges.

Grace, very distinct and pretty variety, cerise shaded with lilac, free flowering.

Golden Gem, bright yellow, small and free.

H. E. Searle, bright clear orange, of good substance, perfect form, neat habit.

Hector, in habit and growth similar to *Achilles*, but of a much deeper shade, very free blooming.

Isabel, beautiful well-formed dazzling orange-scarlet flowers.

Janet, a very distinct and effective variety, rich salmon coloured flowers.

Juliette, yellow, shaded with orange, a fine variety.

Lady Blanche, pure white, resembling a *Ranunculus*, most desirable for cutting.

Leila, reddish-buff, tipped with white.

Little Duchess, purple, crimson edge.

Little Ethel, white, often tipped with purple.

Marion, lake, shaded crimson and magenta, a very telling colour, extra fine habit. Awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society.

Martial, beautifully formed flowers and remarkably free blooming, habit good, flowers crimson-scarlet. First-Class Certificate from the Royal Horticultural Society.

Mignon, very bright crimson-scarlet.

Miss B. Mortlock, golden yellow, tipped with crimson-lake, fine form, very free.

Othello, of a brilliant crimson shade ; a most useful variety for cutting.

Phæbe, flowers of a deep rich orange, splendidly formed and exceptionally free blooming.

Prince of Liliputians, deep maroon.

Pure Love, very pretty soft lilac flowers.

Red Indian, deep coral red, most perfect miniature flowers, a charming variety for cutting.

Rosalie, primrose, sometimes edged with pink.

Rosalind, a charming little flower, yellow tipped with white, dwarf habit.

Salmon Queen, of medium size, very abundant, of a pretty light salmon, while the tips of the petals are tinged with crimson.

The Mikado, was awarded a First-Class Certificate. The habit is good, very dwarf, covered with rich purplish-crimson flowers, tipped with white.

Thomas Moore, yellow, deeply edged with bright red, very close neat habit.

Titania, yellow, small, free, fine for cutting.

Virginal, pure white, good form, very free.

Vivid, bright orange scarlet, fine form and very free.

Whisper, clear yellow, edged with gold.

White Aster (*Guiding Star*), certainly one of the best, it has a good habit, flowers freely, pure white, beautifully formed flowers.

White Button, fine white, small and free.

EXHIBITION DAHLIAS—SHOW.

THE number of varieties in cultivation is immense, and the difficulty of selecting is great, and knowing this I have taken great precaution to omit every variety that I cannot recommend; this course must prove most advantageous to my customers, as they can select freely without the slightest fear of disappointment in getting a number of varieties which are not sufficiently distinct. The following Select Collection contains the very choicest of this group; every care being taken to grow nothing but the most distinct, such kinds as I know will give every satisfaction.

Show Dahlias may be divided into two groups:—first, self-coloured flowers; and second, flowers with tips or edgings darker than the ground colour; while the Fancy section contains flowers having three or more colours in each.

To ensure the very best results the plants should be potted into 6-inch pots, so that the plants may be strong and well established before planting out, which should take place about the end of June. The soil should be thoroughly well trenched, and freely supplied with well decayed manure. As soon as the planting is effected let the plants be secured to a firm stake to prevent them from breaking, and give a good soaking of water, they should be liberally supplied during the growing season, which is of the greatest importance, especially while in a young state; when they get stronger it is not so important, although they must never be allowed to want for it. To ensure good blooms the work of disbudding must be carefully accomplished, the lateral shoots should be thinned out in the case of small-flowering varieties, but this need not be done to such an extent with the strong growers.

The new varieties offered below have been carefully selected from the various raisers, every care has been taken to select the very finest, those that show a marked improvement upon all existing varieties, and such as I am sure will meet with public approval.

New Show Varieties for 1893.

KATHLEEN (*Turner*).—Large bold flower, massive petals, perfect in outline, a first class variety. Awarded a First Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society. 3ft. 7/6 each.

MRS. MORGAN (*Fellowes*).—Pale rose, tinted rosy-purple, a fine bold flower, first class exhibition variety, 4ft. 7/6 each.

MRS. CHARLES NOYES (*Keynes & Co.*).—One of the finest of recent introduction, a large flower, perfect in form, of a pleasing light fawn colour, quite a new tint, and one that will become very popular, 3ft. 10/6 each.

REGINALD (*Fellowes*).—Bright rich purple, flowers large, very symmetrical and well raised in the centre; a fine show variety, 4ft. 7/6 each.

VIRGINALE (*Keynes & Co.*).—This will become a great favourite, a decided acquisition in this colour; blush white, beautifully shaded with rosy-lilac, a fine well formed flower, 3ft. 10/6 each.

New Show Varieties of 1892.

ARTHUR OCOCK (*Rawlings*).—Reddish orange, a noble flower with every good quality, very large and of fine form, petal and outline quite distinct from any other variety. **Three First-Class Certificates, and an Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society.** 2/- each.

GEORGE GORDON (*Rawlings*).—Bright crimson; this is the largest and finest crimson ever offered, a flower that will please everyone; petal and outline grand, extra fine back row flower. **First-Class Certificates, Royal Aquarium, Sandy, and Harpenden.** 4ft. 2/- each.

JOHN WALKER (*Walker*).—A good white Show Dahlia has long been felt a desideratum by Dahlia growers, and this variety will supply the want, being pure white, a large flower, of the finest form, and possessing a splendid centre. Was awarded **Eight First-Class Certificates.** 3/6 each.

JOHN RAWLINGS (*Rawlings*).—A decided Novelty, a grand flower of the finest form, and a colour quite new to this family, a decided "Heliotrope." This is acknowledged by all to be a great acquisition. **First-Class Certificates, Crystal Palace, Royal Aquarium, Harpenden, and Sandy; and Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society.** 3ft. 2/- each.

MRS. HURST (*Rawlings*).—Blush, slightly edged with crimson, fine form, petal and outline, very constant. **First-Class Certificate, Sandy.** 3ft. 2/- each.

MRS. LEWIS STANBRIDGE (*Rawlings*).—Clear amoer, a very pleasing and beautiful flower; fine petal and outline. **First-Class Certificates, Sandy and Harpenden, and Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society.** 3ft. 2/- each.

MRS. McINTOSH (*Rawlings*).—Old gold colour, very distinct and beautiful; this flower was much admired at all the Exhibitions; it is a beautifully formed flower, and very constant. **Three First-Certificates, and an Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society.** 3ft. 2/- each

General Collection, Show Varieties.

The following embrace the very best of the old popular varieties, carefully selected so as to represent every shade of colour in this family,

Strong Plants, my selection, 6/- and 9/- per dozen; Purchaser's selection, 12/- per dozen.

Agnes	(<i>Fellowes</i>)	pure yellow, good petal and outline, very constant. It was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society	3 ft.
Alice Emily	(<i>Keynes</i>)	rich clear yellow shaded with buff, a fine and constant flower, good habit. Received numerous First-Class Certificates	3 ft.
Bendigo	(<i>Turner</i>)	a purplish crimson flower, of perfect form, good habit, and constant	3 ft.
Cardinal	(<i>Fellowes</i>)	very rich scarlet, full size, deep and fine form, good habit	3 ft.
Charles Lidgard	(<i>Fellowes</i>)	deep yellow, edged with bright crimson, a good exhibition variety	3 ft.
Condor	(<i>Keynes</i>)	very peculiar colour, buff shaded with orange, neat compact flower	3 ft.
Countess of Lonsdale	(<i>Keynes</i>)	rosy lilac, well formed	4 ft.
Colonist	(<i>Keynes</i>)	chocolate and fawn, quite a distinct new colour, and of fine form	3 ft.

EXHIBITION DAHLIAS, SHOW—CONTINUED.

Crimson Globe ... (Keynes)	crimson, a large deep flower, of fine form, very constant and free.	
Coronet (Keynes & Co.)	large bold flowers, well filled, of a deep rich brick-red, very free blooming, a great improvement, and a decided acquisition	4 ft.
Crown Prince ... (Fellowes)	nankeen or pale buff, very dissimilar, a full and good flower	4 ft.
Diadem (Fellowes)	deep rich crimson, good petal, and very constant; erect habit. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate	3½ ft.
Duke of Fife (Keynes)	rich cardinal, an extra large flower, broad petals, and of great substance. First-Class Certificates Crystal Palace and Royal Aquarium	3 ft.
Ethel Britton..... (Keynes)	blush white, edged with purple	3½ ft.
Eldorado (Fellowes)	a very constant and most perfect flower, very full, pretty shell like petals, of a rosy purple colour, a grand exhibition variety; was awarded a First-Class Certificate at the Dahlia Conference	4 ft.
Goldfinder (Fellowes)	yellow, tipped red, very constant, and extra fine	2 ft.
George Dickson ... (Keynes)	chestnut brown, peculiar colour, a constant and useful flower	4 ft.
George Rawlings (Rawlings)	dark maroon, a full sized flower, neatly cupped, and symmetrical	4 ft.
George Smith ... (Rawlings)	a fine showy variety, of a bright magenta colour and good form	4 ft.
Gloire de Lyon (Keynes)	very large, pure white, a most useful flower	2½ ft.
Glowworm (Turner)	bright orange scarlet, high centre, good petal and outline, a very attractive variety, dwarf and free. It was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society	3 ft.
Harrison Weir... (Rawlings)	one of the finest varieties grown, very fine rich yellow flowers	4 ft.
Harry Keith..... (Keynes)	very large flower and remarkably constant, rosy purple	4 ft.
Herbert Turner... (Turner)	French white, shaded lilac	4 ft.
Hope (Keynes)	light rosy lilac	4 ft.
H. W. Ward..... (Keynes)	yellow ground, heavily edged with deep crimson	3½ ft.
Imperial (Keynes)	deep purple with a pretty shade of lilac, large, and of splendid form	4 ft.
James Vick (Keynes)	purple maroon, the finest variety of this shade	3 ft.
James Huntley ... (Keynes)	very fine purple, equalling <i>James Cocker</i> , but an earlier bloomer and quite distinct from that variety	4 ft.
James Stephen ... (Keynes)	bright orange scarlet, new in colour, and of magnificent form	3 ft.
John Bennett ... (Rawlings)	yellow, with deep scarlet edge, very effective	3 ft.
John Hickling..... (Keynes)	clear bright yellow, extra fine form, very constant. First-Class Certificates Royal Horticultural, and Royal Aquarium Westminster	3 ft.
John Wyatt (Keynes)	very deep scarlet, of good form and substance	2 ft.
Joseph Ashby (Turner)	orange shaded, very fine and constant	3 ft.
Joseph Green (Keynes)	very bright crimson, of fine form	3 ft.
Joseph B. Service (Keynes)	a fine yellow, of the type of <i>Prince Arthur</i> , but much larger; very grand flower	4 ft.
Julia Wyatt (Keynes)	creamy white, large and fine	3½ ft.
J. C. Vaughan (Keynes)	a grand improvement, one of the best yellows ever raised, flowers most perfect in form, very constant, in fact a perfect exhibition variety	4 ft.
Lorina (Fellowes)	a large full flower of a most perfect outline, well-raised, of a bright orange buff; a fine exhibition flower, will become a great favourite. Was awarded First-Class Certificate at the Royal Aquarium Dahlia Show	3 ft.
Lady G. Herbert... (Keynes)	light orange, deeply edged with crimson	3 ft.
Leah (Turner)	a high class variety of good habit, with rose-tinted yellow flowers	3 ft.
Miss Barber..... (Keynes)	a very effective variety, flowers white, deeply edged with purple, a pretty combination, will be sure to be a great favourite	3 ft.
Majestic..... (Keynes)	white ground, edged and shaded with purple, large and first-class flower. First-Class Certificate, Crystal Palace	4 ft.

EXHIBITION DAHLIAS, SHOW—CONTINUED.

Major Cornwallis West } (<i>Fellowes</i>)	scarlet with orange shade, an excellent show flower, of great substance and good habit; unquestionably one of the finest Show Dahlias in cultivation.....	3 ft.
Midget(<i>Keynes</i>)	cream, prettily tinted with pink, a most pleasing contrast.....	2 ft.
Miss Cannell(<i>Eckford</i>)	creamy ground, deeply edged with purplish crimson.....	4 ft.
Miss Fox(<i>Keynes</i>)	blush ground, heavily edged with lake, full flower, splendid form.....	3 ft.
Miss Henshaw ...(<i>Henshaw</i>)	pure white, immense flowers of the most perfect form, one of the best,.....	3½ ft.
Mr. Glasscock	beautiful purple, a fine built flower.....	2 ft.
Mr. G. Harris	crimson-scarlet, deep and full, fine form.....	3 ft.
Mrs. Dodds(<i>Keynes</i>)	blush, outer petals light lilac, constant flower.....	3 ft.
Mrs. Harris(<i>Harris</i>)	white ground, edged with pale lilac, one of the best.....	2½ ft.
Mrs. Kendall ...(<i>Rawlings</i>)	white ground, distinctly edged and tipped with purple.....	4 ft.
Mrs. William Slack	blush white, edged with purple, a very fine and constant flower.....	3 ft.
Mrs. P. Wyndham (<i>Keynes</i>)	yellow, edged with rosy purple, fine.....	3½ ft.
Mrs. S. Hibberd (<i>Rawlings</i>)	a beautiful variety, having cream coloured flowers, shaded pink.....	3 ft.
Mrs. Langtry(<i>Keynes</i>)	cream colour, beautifully edged with crimson, full size and form.....	4 ft.
Mrs. Gladstone ...(<i>Fraser</i>)	this is admitted to be the most perfect show variety raised; it is not easy to describe the colour, which is a very delicate soft pink; in form a model, and very constant. This Dahlia received First-Class Certificates wherever exhibited, including the National Dahlia Show at Crystal Palace, Royal Horticultural Society, &c.....	4 ft.
Mrs. Peter McKenzie (<i>Keynes</i>)	yellow ground, shaded and edged with carmine.....	3 ft.
Mrs. Stancombe ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	bright canary yellow, tipped with fawn.....	3 ft.
Maud Fellowes (<i>Fellowes</i>)	French white, tinted and shaded with purple, perfect centre, and a grand Show flower. It was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society.....	3 to 4 ft.
Nellie Cramond ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	purple, with cerise shade, quite a new colour and distinct.....	4 ft.
Oliver(<i>Fellowes</i>)	flowers rich crimson, shaded with maroon, large and well formed.....	4 ft.
Pandora(<i>Fellowes</i>)	pale blush flowers, a very pretty variety.....	4 ft.
Prince Bismarck (<i>Fellowes</i>)	puce, shaded with purple, large and very constant.....	4 ft.
Prince of Denmark (<i>Fellowes</i>)	very fine dark maroon, shaded with crimson, distinct and free.....	3 ft.
Perfection(<i>Fellowes</i>)	orange buff, good open petal and outline, very distinct.....	4 ft.
Pioneer(<i>Fellowes</i>)	the darkest Dahlia yet raised, being a rich glossy black, a good Show flower of fine form. First Class Certificates at Royal Horticultural Society, Kensington, and Oxford.....	2 to 3 ft.
Queen of Italy ...(<i>Fellowes</i>)	distinct and attractive fawn shade of colour.....	4 ft.
Reliance(<i>Keynes</i>)	fawn, beautifully shaded with rose, fine form.....	3 ft.
R. T. Rawlings (<i>Rawlings</i>)	clear yellow, of good form, and constant.....	4 ft.
Richard Dean(<i>Keynes</i>)	rich deep purple, of good form, a very striking variety.....	4 ft.
Robina(<i>Fellowes</i>)	deep rose, shaded and veined, bright in colour, free.....	4 ft.
Sir Garnet Wolseley (<i>Keynes</i>)	reddish chocolate, very large, useful flower, of good form.....	4 ft.
Spitfire(<i>Keynes</i>)	clear bright scarlet, very free flowering.....	4 ft.
Sunlight(<i>Keynes</i>)	a large, distinct, and useful flower, very bright scarlet.....	3 ft.
Sybil(<i>Fellowes</i>)	bright orange buff, distinct.....	4 ft.
Sunrise(<i>Fellowes</i>)	bright magenta, high centre, good outline and petal, very constant.....	3 ft.
Thomas Hobbs ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	purplish magenta, a very fine and constant variety.....	4 ft.
T. S. Ware(<i>Rawlings</i>)	wine crimson, beautiful petal and outline, constant and good.....	4 ft.
Volunteer(<i>Keynes</i>)	bright cardinal, beautiful form, and very free.....	3 ft.
W. H. Williams ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	dazzling scarlet, very large and fine.....	4 ft.
William Jackson ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	fine rosy-purple large flower of superior properties. It was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the National Dahlia Society.....	4 ft.

EXHIBITION DAHLIAS—FANCY.

FANCY DAHLIAS are large exhibition kinds, and quite distinct from the Snow kinds, which are nearly all self colours, while the Fancy have several colours, splashed, edged and variegated in every conceivable manner, many of the flowers are tipped with lighter shades than the ground colour.

New Exhibition Variety for 1893.

DAZZLER (*Keynes & Co.*)—A fine bold flower, perfect in form, well raised in centre, of a deep rich yellow, flaked and striped with bright scarlet, a beautiful combination and wonderfully effective, and I think one of the most constant of this section, and will undoubtedly become a first-class Exhibition variety, 3ft. 10/6 each.

New Exhibition Varieties, Fancy, of 1892.

GEORGE HURST (*Rawlings*).—Purple, striped with crimson, this flower can be described as a striped *William Rawlings*, with all the properties of that flower; as a Self it makes a grand Show flower. First-Class Certificate, Sandy and Harpenden. 3 feet. 2/- each.

NICHOL WALKER (*Rawlings*).—Buff striped with scarlet, very large; a noble back row flower. 3 feet. 2/- each.

TOUCHSTONE (*Fellowes*).—Orange ground colour, striped and splashed with crimson, a good useful show variety. First-Class Certificates, Royal Horticultural Society and Royal Aquarium. 3 to 4 feet. 2/- each.

General Collection, Fancy Varieties.

Strong plants, my selection, 6/- and 9/- per dozen. Purchaser's selection, 12/- per dozen.

Adventure(<i>Fellowes</i>)	an effective variety, soft rosy blush ground, striped and marked rosy lake, of full size and very constant.....	3 ft.
Annie Pritchard ...(<i>Keynes</i>)	white, beautifully striped with lilac and rose, fine	3½ ft.
Beauty(<i>Burbury</i>)	yellow ground, with a tip of rosy white, more double than <i>Mrs. Saunders</i> ; a constant and fine Exhibition variety	4 ft.
Buffalo Bill(<i>Keynes</i>)	buff, striped with vermillion, a strange combination of colour, very effective, large well formed flowers, free, and constant	3 ft.
Chorister(<i>Keynes</i>)	fawn, striped with crimson and rose; this is undoubtedly one of the finest of this section.....	3 ft.
Comte de la Saut (<i>Keynes</i>)	deep rich lilac, striped with dark crimson, very effective in colour, and of fine form.....	3 ft.
Comedian ...(<i>Keynes & Co.</i>)	large bold flowers of a rich orange, beautifully striped and flaked with crimson, and tipped white, a very effective variety	4 ft.
Dandy(<i>Keynes & Co.</i>)	orange striped with crimson, a curious combination and wonderfully effective, flowers very large and well formed, a good exhibition variety	3 ft.

EXHIBITION DAHLIAS, FANCY—CONTINUED.

Dragon(Fellowes)	yellow, richly striped with bright crimson, many flowers are produced with a distinct crimson tip, it can then be exhibited as a Show variety. First-Class Certificate at Oxford	5 ft.
Dorothy(Keynes)	pretty fawn colour, striped and flaked with deep maroon	3 ft.
Duchess of Albany (Turner)	a fine striped variety, full and constant; pale orange ground colour, with crimson stripes	3 ft.
Florence Stark ... (Keynes)	white ground, striped purple, very constant	3 ft.
Frederick Smith (Keynes)	deep lilac, striped purple	4 ft.
General Grant(Keynes)	orange coloured flowers with distinct chocolate coloured stripes, large full flower	3 ft.
George Barnes ... (Keynes)	soft lilac striped with crimson, one of the most effective varieties in cultivation	4 ft.
Henry Eckford (Rawlings)	yellow or light buff, striped with scarlet	3 ft.
Henry Glasscock (Keynes)	buff, regularly striped and spotted crimson; often self, then it is the finest crimson	3 ft.
Hereules(Keynes)	yellow ground, striped and speckled with rich crimson, a fine large flower	4 ft.
Hero(Fellowes)	rich lilac striped maroon, fine built flower, a good centre, will become a very popular variety	3 ft.
Jessie McIntosh ... (Keynes)	red, tipped white, very constant	3 ft.
Janette(Fellowes)	sulphur, tipped white, good	4 ft.
John Cooper ... (Humphries)	white, suffused with lake, with numerous spots of intense lake and occasional blotches of the same, very distinct and constant. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society	3 ft.
John Forbes(Keynes)	fawn colour striped with maroon, possessing the finest properties	3 ft.
Lady Antrobus ... (Keynes)	red, tipped white, a very showy flower	3 ft.
Lottie Eckford ... (Eckford)	white, beautifully striped with purple; a fine form	2 ft.
Madame Soubiere (Keynes)	beautiful rosy lilac striped with carmine, a first class flower; one of the best for decoration or exhibition	3 ft.
Magnet(Keynes)	lilac, densely striped with rich purple	4 ft.
Matthew Campbell } (Keynes)	bright buff or apricot, beautifully striped with crimson, fine petal and good form, a grand addition to the Fancy class. It was awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia Society and the Royal Horticultural Society	4 ft.
Miss Lily Large ... (Keynes)	a pretty variety, striped and spotted carmine	3 ft.
Mrs. Saunders(Turner)	yellow, tipped white, extra fine	3 ft.
Miss Browning ... (Keynes)	pale yellow, tipped white, a fine shaped flower	3 ft.
Margery(Keynes)	a distinct variety, buff striped and speckled with crimson and purple	3 ft.
Mrs. N. Halls ... (Rawlings)	bright scarlet, tipped with white, fine form and outline	2 ft.
Neptune(Keynes)	bright orange coloured flowers striped with crimson, very constant	3 ft.
Pelican(Keynes)	pure white, distinctly striped with purple, a large flower, well suited for the back rows	3 ft.
Plutarch(Turner)	a fine large flowered variety, buff ground, striped and splashed with crimson. Has been awarded First-Class Certificates by the Royal Horticultural and Royal Oxfordshire Horticultural Societies	3 ft.
Prince Henry ... (Fellowes)	lilac with bright purple stripes, large and distinct	4 ft.
Professor Fawcett (Keynes)	dark lilac, striped with chocolate	3 ft.
Polly Sandell(Keynes)	beautiful lemon colour, tipped with white, very pretty	3 ft.
Queen Mab(Turner)	white, with scarlet edges, very showy	3 ft.
Robert Burns(Keynes)	lilac, flaked with dark maroon, very constant	3 ft.
Rev. J. B. M. Camm (Keynes)	yellow, flaked red, large and fine	3 ft.
Ruby Gem(Harris)	early, crimson with small yellow tip	4 ft.
Sailor Prince ... (Fellowes)	lilac, striped and splashed with rosy purple, a large fine flower	4 ft.
Stanley(Keynes & Co.)	rich yellow, regularly striped with scarlet, good form and habit, and exceedingly free	3 ft.

DWARF DOUBLE BEDDING DAHLIAS.

This group is the one pre-eminently adapted for bedding purposes as well as for cutting. All the plants are of a neat bushy habit, remarkably dwarf, scarcely 3 feet, and marvellously free blooming. In some varieties the flowers are so numerous as to present the appearance of an immense bouquet with a few leaves protruding here and there. For bedding purposes they are simply grand, and fine effects could be produced with the following varieties, which will be seen to include White, Yellow, Scarlet, Crimson and Purple—all the colours necessary to the production of the very best effects. They should be planted, as far as convenient, in poor soil; this, while in no way interfering with the quantity of flowers produced, tends to keep the plants dwarf and bushy.

Strong Plants established in pots, 9d. each; 6/- per dozen.

CAMELLIEFLORA.—This is a very beautiful variety, producing somewhat large flowers, exquisite in form, resembling a snow-white Camellia, and one of the purest whiteness.

CHRISSIE MACHRAY.—A very charming variety, producing in large quantities crimson scarlet flowers, tipped with gold; the flowers have beautifully frimbriated petals; 2 feet.

GEORGE THOMPSON.—Pure yellow, most profuse bloomer, very dwarf and compact.

JOHN WYATT.—Intense bright crimson-scarlet flowers, produced in the greatest abundance. These are of the finest form; good habit.

KING OF DWARFS.—An exceedingly dwarf variety, close compact habit, producing large purple flowers, in the wildest profusion.

LITTLE WONDER.—One of the best varieties of this section, producing abundance of bright scarlet flowers; a fine bedding variety from its close compact habit.

PEARL.—A very charming variety for bedding and for cutting; of neat upright growth, and producing enormous quantities of flowers, which are of good form and of the purest white, and a splendid bedding variety.

RISEING SUN.—A real gem, of specially dwarf close growth, seldom exceeding 18 inches in height, and having abundance of intensely bright scarlet flowers.

RONSTANPAND.—A very showy variety, of medium habit, and producing quantities of effective well-formed yellow flowers.

THE PET.—Another very pretty variety, maroon tipped with white; most distinct and attractive. 2½ feet.

WHITE BEDDER.—One of the most useful of the bedding varieties; good habit, and marvellously free blooming, flowers of good form and of the purest white.

YELLOW PET.—Pure yellow, very free blooming, and remarkably compact.

ZELINDA.—Another very pretty variety for bedding purposes. Attractive crimson-purple flowers, which are produced with the utmost freedom.

TOM THUMB DAHLIAS, SINGLE.

A very novel and interesting group of recent introduction, so wonderfully distinct from all existing varieties that one can scarcely believe that Dahlias can now be had only growing about a foot in height, yet such is the case. They are simply pigmies, yet having a robust habit and producing flowers in great abundance, of almost every shade of colour.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE RAISER'S DESCRIPTIONS:—

- BOOTLES**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 12 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 16 inches, diameter of plant 16 inches, diameter of flower 3 inches, colour rich velvety red. 1/6 each.
- BO-PEEP**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 16 inches, height of plant to the top of bloom 22 inches, the colour is a maroon self, very pretty. 1/6 each.
- BANTAM**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 9 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 11 inches, diameter of plant 12 inches, diameter of flower 3 inches, dark scarlet flowers. 1/6 each.
- HOOP-LA**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 10 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 14 inches, diameter of plant 16 inches, diameter of flower 2½ inches, very perfect circular flower, rich velvety maroon self, with clear yellow ring round disc. 1/6 each.
- LILLIPUT**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 10 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 14 inches, diameter of plant 15 inches, diameter of flower 2¼ inches, very light green foliage; colour light scarlet, lined orange, petals somewhat pointed. 1/- each.
- MIGNON**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 9 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 12 inches, diameter of plant 12 inches, diameter of flower 2½ inches, colour bright clear pink, white ring round disc, very distinct and pleasing. Might be described as a dwarf *Marion Hood*. 1/- ea.
- MAUD**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 18 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 22 inches, diameter of plant 18 inches, diameter of flower 2½ inches, colour extremely rich velvety dark scarlet (almost deeper than scarlet), very striking, perfectly formed flower. 1/- each.
- MINIATURE**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 12 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 15 inches, the colour is a fine clear yellow. 1/6 each.
- MISS GRACE**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 10 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 14 inches, diameter of plant 16 to 18 inches, diameter of flower 3 inches, flowers light orange, very effective and telling colour. 1/6 each.
- MIDGET**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 10 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 14 inches (*i.e.*, flower stems 4 inches clear of the foliage). Diameter of plant 15 inches, diameter of flower 2½ inches, flower carried perfectly erect; colour pure bright scarlet 1/- each.
- PEARL**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 11 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 15 inches, diameter of plant 15 inches, diameter of flower 3½ inches, very handsome and well formed flower, colour deep mauve self, most distinct and effective. 1/- each.
- TOM TIT**—Height of plant, exclusive of flower stems, 12 inches, height of plant to top of bloom 18 inches, diameter of plant 18 inches, diameter of flower 3 inches, colour clear orange scarlet with very distinct and telling light yellow eye around disc; elegant toothed foliage. 1/- each.

The above set of 12 varieties, for 12/-

SINGLE DAHLIAS.



500 MEDALS, CUPS, AND OTHER HONOURS, FOR DAHLIAS AND OTHER PLANTS.

On perusing the following Sections it will be noticed that many varieties are omitted that formerly found a place in my Catalogue; these have been discarded to make room for BETTER and IMPROVED FORMS. The NEW VARIETIES offered upon page 29 are quite equal to my Novelties of previous seasons, and will be found great improvements upon all other varieties yet raised, and I have every confidence in recommending them.

As there are many varieties in cultivation differing more or less in the shape of the flowers, I have divided them into four sections, which (with the exception of the Stellate section) are distinguished by the signs in front of the names.

The signs used with these references are as follows:—

Those marked ‡ have their petals beautifully reflexed, similar to *Lucy Ireland* and *Duchess of Westminster*; for illustration see Fig. page 28.

Those marked * have their petals slightly reflexed.

Those marked † have flowers in which the petals are flat.

The Stellate Section have starry flowers. with flat petals.

Where my customers have a preference for any particular section they will oblige by saying so when ordering.

The figures affixed to each variety denote the heights they attain in my strong soil; in this respect they will be found to vary somewhat; as a rule, the poorer the soil, the dwarfer the plants.



The above fig. is illustrative of the varieties with deeply reflexed flowers, which on this account are well adapted for exhibition purposes. They are denoted thus †. The small flower illustrates the variety "Duchess of Westminster," and the large one "Lucy Ireland."

NEW SINGLE VARIETIES OF 1892 & 1893.

I HAVE much pleasure in offering the following new varieties, which are great improvements upon all previous varieties, and such as I know will be highly appreciated by all lovers of this favourite section. My Novelties of this season have been thoroughly tested and carefully compared with all existing varieties, so that there is no question about their superiority over all others, either in habit, colour, or form; it is very pleasing to know that **THE MAJORITY OF OUR POPULAR VARIETIES FIRST APPEARED IN MY CATALOGUE**, and I am sure those now offered will become quite as popular when known.

BUTTERFLY (*Ware*).—A sterling novelty, distinct from all, effective in the highest sense, and one of our greatest favourites. The flowers are of medium size, of great substance, beautifully reflexed, and produced in such marvellous quantities as to almost cover the plant. The colour is so wonderfully distinct as to attract the attention of everyone, and must be considered one of the very finest of the Fancy section. An orange-red, very bright, the tip of each petal having a heavy blotch of gold, an unusual combination of colour and exceedingly effective, especially for exhibition purposes. 2/- each.

DUKE OF YORK (*Cheal*).—Bright orange scarlet with a distinct yellow zone round the disc, beautiful smooth petals, medium size, perfect in form, good habit and very free blooming. One of the very best for exhibition purposes, being quite distinct in shade from any other, and has been awarded many **First-Class Certificates**; 3½ feet. 3/6 each.

EXTRACTS FROM HORTICULTURAL PRESS, *September 10th*, 1892.

"GARDENERS' MAGAZINE."—"Duke of York,' a splendid scarlet, excellent for form and colour."

"THE GARDEN."—"Duke of York,' bright orange scarlet, very distinct."

"GARDENERS' CHRONICLE."—"Bright orange scarlet, very distinct and extra fine."

"JOURNAL OF HORTICULTURE."—"Bright orange scarlet, smooth well-rounded bloom, of medium size."

MRS. HENSHAW (*Ware*).—It seems almost absurd to offer a scarlet or crimson variety as new, as it appears impossible for the good high coloured varieties already in cultivation to be beaten, yet such is the case. The colour is a most intense dazzling crimson-scarlet, far away brighter than any other, and must be considered the very finest scarlet ever raised. The flower is perfection in form, of medium size, great substance, and most beautifully reflexed, and certainly far above the average in freedom of bloom. It is also a dwarf grower, not exceeding 3 feet, rendering it one of the very best for bedding purposes as well as for cutting. 2/6 each.

NELLIE (*Ware*).—This is a very striking variety, one of a section to which I am devoting a good deal of attention, and might be very appropriately called the Zonal Section. It is certainly one of the best and most distinct yet raised; the colour is an intense crimson maroon, with a broad bright golden zone around the centre. It is exceptionally dwarf, not more than 3 feet, thus rendering it of great value for bedding; the flowers are large, slightly reflexed, most symmetrically formed, and exceedingly free blooming; and must be considered a grand addition to our list of Single Dahlias. 2/6 each.

YELLOW SATIN.—A lovely rich pale glossy yellow, quite distinct in shade from any other, petals of great substance, like wax, and the most perfect flower imaginable, for exhibition purposes there is nothing to come near it, and I think this must be considered by far the finest yellow variety up to date. Was awarded a **First-Class Certificate** at the **Great Dahlia Exhibition** last season. 3/6 each.

SINGLE DAHLIAS—General Collection.

THE whole of the following varieties, without an exception, are deserving of cultivation. Nearly all the old inferior forms have been discarded, and my collection is now the finest and most comprehensive that it is possible to imagine; consequently selections can be readily made without any fear of disappointment. Every season each family is closely overhauled, and as fast as new ones are introduced so are the old ones discarded, so that nothing but the very best are retained, as I can unhesitatingly assert. A perusal of the descriptions of the following varieties will show the collection is a very representative one, including almost every shade of colour found in Single Dahlias.

See note explanatory of signs, page 27.

Purchaser's selection, 6s. per doz.; 40s. per 100, except where priced.

*Albert Victor(Ware)	deep crimson lake, well reflexed petals, specially adapted for exhibition purposes, remarkably fine and symmetrical form, 9d.	4 ft.
†Amos Perry(Ware)	one of the grandest Single Dahlias ever raised, colour deep velvety maroon, sometimes shading to a lighter maroon, very free flowering and good habit. Received Three First-Class Certificates	3 ft.
†Beauty of Uplands } (Woodfield) }	a medium sized flower of good substance, colour rich crimson, distinctly tipped with gold, and tinted gold at base of petals, 9d.	3½ ft.
†Bridal Wreath.....(Ware)	creamy white, changing to pure white as the flowers die off, full in size and of good flat form, 9d	4 ft.
†Canterbury Tales } (Paul & Son) }	a very pretty variety, having large well-formed flowers of a beautiful purplish magenta colour, 9d.	4 ft.
†Cetewayo(Ware)	in the way of <i>Negress</i> , but much smoother and better; the flowers are medium in size, perfectly circular in outline, and of a rich blackish-maroon. Awarded a First-Class Certificate by the R.H.S. 9d.	4 ft.
†Chilwell Beauty (Pearson)	beautiful yellow flowers, prettily edged with scarlet. First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, Crystal Palace, 9d.	3 ft.
†Claudia(Cheal)	a most effective variety, and admitted by everyone to be one of the very best of the Fancy class yet raised. The flowers are of medium size, slightly reflexed, smooth petals, of great substance, of a bright reddish salmon colour distinctly tipped with mauve, with a heavy distinct crimson ring around the disc, 1/6	3 ft.
†Cleopatra(Cheal)	intense velvety crimson, petals of great substance, broad and overlapping, beautifully recurved, perfect in form, unique in colour, and unquestionably far ahead of all the crimson varieties yet raised, 1/-	3 ft.
*Duchess of Fife ... (Ware)	a very beautiful variety, and much appreciated on account of its peculiar shade and its perfectly formed flowers. It is of medium height, flowers of a bright clear amber, conspicuously edged with a reddish orange band. First-Class Certificate, National Chrysanthemum Society, 1/-	3½ ft.
*Distinction(Ware)	fine rich magenta, beautifully formed flowers, very distinct, a very decided improvement in this particular colour, 9d.	4 ft.
†Duchess of Albany (Cheal)	soft rich mauve, conspicuously edged with pale buff or brown, the petals are of great substance, medium size and beautifully reflexed, and remarkably free blooming. Awarded Two First-Class Certificates	3 ft.
Duchess of Westminster } (Turner) }	a great favourite, having pure white flowers, about half the size of <i>White Queen</i> , broad overlapping petals, very free flowering, and good habit. First-Class Certificate, R.H.S., 9d.	3 ft.
†Ellen Terry(Ware)	bright pink, the flowers are of full size, good substance, and splendid form, a great favourite, 9d.	3½ ft.
†Emerald(Ware)	velvety crimson edged with orange scarlet, 9d.	4 ft.

SINGLE DAHLIAS, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

- †Enchantment(Ware) soft Chinese red with distinct yellow disc, a very striking and showy variety, both in the borders and in a cut state, 9d.4 ft.
- Eclipse(Cheal) most perfect flowers, slightly recurved, of a pleasing rosy mauve and salmon, having a broad distinct band around the disc which is of a rich crimson, rendering it very attractive. This was awarded F.C.C. by the N.C.S., the N.D.S., and the R.H.S., 1/-4 ft.
- *Emily(Ware) beautifully formed flower, petals reflexed and of great substance, and a perfect Exhibition variety. The colour is a rich magenta, with a deep blood crimson band encircling a bright golden centre, rendering it very conspicuous, and for decoration or for cutting one of the very best, 1/-3½ft.
- *F. L. Temple(Ware) is a great favourite with everyone, flowers of medium size, of great substance and slightly reflexed, of a deep rich velvety maroon shaded with carmine. Received an Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society, 9d.4 ft.
- *Fashion(Ware) a new and distinct variety, of a crushed-strawberry colour, full sized flower, of good form and substance, 9d.3 ft.
- *Florie Fisher(Ware) rich deep mauve, having a distinct pure white disc and fine broad petals, which are beautifully reflexed, 9d.4 ft.
- ‡Formosa(Cheal) flowers of medium size, of circular outline, and of good substance; the colour is of beautiful rich dazzling crimson. First-Class Certificate, Royal Horticultural Society, 9d.3 ft.
- *George Clark(Ware) deep crimson, edged pale purple, an improvement upon *Paragon*, 9d. 3½ft.
- *Gertie Bywater .. (Ware) pure white with a distinct band of pale yellow on the margin of each petal is the colour of this great favourite. It is comparatively dwarf, flowers very abundant, of fine form and substance, very bright and effective, and is one that will find its way into every garden, 9d.3½ft.
- Gulielma(Cheal) this is a great beauty, the combination of colour is so novel, the markings so clearly defined, the form and substance so good, as to entitle it to a foremost position amongst Single Dahlias. It is of medium growth, remarkably free, the flowers perfect in form, pure white, with a broad clear band of golden buff on the margin of each petal. Received an "Award of Merit" from the Royal Horticultural Society and F.C.C. by the National Dahlia Society, 1/-3 ft.
- H. M. Stanley ... (Cheal) a bold dashing variety which will be sure to demand great attention; the colour is unique, a bright fiery scarlet, each petal distinctly tipped with white, forming a lovely combination, and so remarkably effective as to attract the attention of everyone, 9d.3 ft.
- *Highland Chief ... (Ware) a distinct and attractive variety, the flowers are large, bright salmon-pink, tinted yellow at the base of the petals, 9d.3 ft.
- *Hilda(Ware) creamy-white, slightly tinged with lemon, a fine large bold flower, of good substance, 9d.4 ft.
- *Huntsman(Ware) the finest of all the orange scarlets, the petals being stout, smooth, slightly reflexed, and well overlapping each other, 9d.4 ft.
- *Isaac Pitman(Ware) is one of the finest of the striped varieties and remarkably constant. The flowers are large, of fine form, lilac, conspicuously striped with crimson and maroon, very free blooming, remarkably dwarf habit, an exceptional variety for decorative purposes, 9d.3 ft.
- ‡John Downie(Ware) this is a model of a Single Dahlia for Exhibition purposes, being about 3½ inches in diameter, petals beautifully and evenly reflexed and well overlapping each other, in colour it is intense crimson, with stiff wiry stems, standing well in a cut state, 9d.4 ft.
- †John Hummerston (Ware) a fine bold showy flower, and one which is a great favourite, especially for bedding purposes, as it is of a neat dwarf habit, not more than 3 feet, and wonderfully profuse flowering. The flowers are of medium size, good form and of great substance, of a pleasing buff colour, conspicuously striped with red, 9d.3 ft.

SINGLE DAHLIAS, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

- *John Cowan(Cowan) a very effective variety, having deep crimson flowers, distinctly shaded maroon, 9d.4 ft.
- *Kate(Ware) a great improvement in this shade, flowers perfect in form, of great substance, and of a wonderfully bright orange maroon, of a peculiar shade very difficult to describe, and one of the most effective of all the high coloured varieties, 9d.4 ft.
- Lady Montefiore...(Cheal) rich golden yellow, shaded towards the edge with rosy-peach, the colour being darkest at the edge, and gently shading off until it is lost in the deep golden centre. It is of medium size, beautifully reflexed, and of good form, awarded First-Class Certificate, 9d.4 ft.
- *Le Baron(Ware) rich mulberry, shaded crimson, having a dark ring around centre, 9d. 4 ft.
- ‡Lucy Ireland(Ware) rich magenta, suffused with crimson, very large petals, gracefully reflexed, one of the most distinct yet introduced. Awarded First-Class Certificate by Royal Botanic Society, Manchester, 9d.4 ft.
- *Lutea grandiflora (Ware) soft pleasing yellow, large well shaped flowers, of good substance, very free, good habit, holds its flowers well, quite a favourite, equal to *White Queen* in form, 9d.4 ft.
- *Miss Jefferies(Ware) this is remarkably dwarf, and is of great value for bedding purposes. It is a beautifully formed flower, of great substance and recurved, of a rich shade of mauve and magenta, having a deep red broad ring encircling the centre. It a decided acquisition, and was awarded two First-Class Certificates, 1/-2½ft.
- *Maude.....(Ware) fine robust habit, flowers exquisite in form, slightly recurved, and of medium size, pure white, each petal distinctly margined with a clear broad band of maroon, a remarkable blending of colours, and exceedingly effective. Was awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Chrysanthemum and National Dahlia Societies, and Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society, 1/-3 ft.
- ‡Mauve Queen Improved(Ware) magnificent mauve self, white ray round the centre, large petals somewhat reflexed, a very free and excellent variety, 9d.4½ft.
- *Miss Linaker(Ware) beautiful bright cherry-red, one of the brightest and most attractive Single Dahlias yet raised; First-Class Certificates at the Royal Horticultural Society, and Royal Aquarium, Westminster, 9d.4 ft.
- *Miss Bateman(Ware) carmine-red, with distinct yellow disc, very attractive, one of the most distinct and effective Single Dahlias grown, 9d.3 ft.
- *Miss Glasscock ... (Cheal) a beautiful variety, flowers wonderfully soft and pleasing, of a soft clear lavender magenta, with pale mauve, flowers of medium size, slightly recurved and of great substance, a really first-class variety, and far ahead of all existing varieties of this particular shade. It is also exceptionally free flowering, on long wiry footstalks, thrown well above the foliage, so that every flower is seen to advantage. 2/- each3 ft.
- ‡Miss Gordon.....(Ware) purplish-crimson, with golden disc, one of the most attractive single varieties, 9d.3½ft.
- *Miss Henshaw.....(Ware) as valuable an introduction amongst the Singles as the well-known *Double variety* under this name. It is large, fine in form, of a pale pleasing primrose, distinctly edged with white like a *Picotée*; one of the most distinct for cutting or for Exhibition purposes ever sent out; was awarded First-Class Certificates by the Royal Horticultural and National Dahlia Societies, 9d.3 ft.
- *Miss Roberts(Ware) a charming bright yellow variety, having flowers of perfect form, petals stout, and beautifully reflexed, very much after the style of *Duchess of Westminster*; was awarded First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia and National Chrysanthemum Societies, 9d., 3½ft.
- *Miss Ramsbottom (Ware) this is a favourite with everyone, and if only six varieties are grown, this should be one. In form it is perfect, remarkably free blooming, flowers of a lovely pink shaded with cerise, and only 3 feet in height. Awarded two First-Class Certificates, 9d.3 ft.

SINGLE DAHLIAS, GENERAL COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

- *Miss Louisa Pryor (*Ware*) rich velvety crimson, with a golden yellow disc, prettily flaked with rosy-lake, of fine form and substance, a good variety, 9d. 3 ft.
- *Mikado(*Girdlestone*) bright orange scarlet, the petals shading to yellow at the tips; awarded First-Class Certificates by the Royal Horticultural, National Dahlia, and the National Chrysanthemum Societies, 9d. 4 ft.
- *Mrs. Castle..... (*Ware*) intense lake, shading towards the tips of the petals to rose-lake, a full-sized flower of a circular form, much admired, 9d. 3½ ft.
- *Mrs. C. Daniels (*Dickson*) white edged with bright crimson, a great improvement on *Union Jack*, the edging being of a brighter crimson, and the ground of purest whiteness, 9d. 3 ft.
- †Mrs. Jongkindt Conineck } pure white effectively shaded with pale mauve, flowers of a medium
 (*Ware*) } size, of circular outline, beautifully reflexed, First-Class Certificates by the National Dahlia and Chrysanthemum Societies, 9d. 3½ ft.
- *Mrs. W. C. Harvey (*Ware*) is a bold dashing flower with a very pleasing combination of colour, possessing a charm that is appreciated by everyone. The flowers are a bright rich magenta, heavily edged with rosy mauve, perfect in form, of great substance, beautifully reflexed, a grand exhibition variety, and one that I have much pleasure in offering; awarded a First-Class Certificate by the National Dahlia Society, 1/6 3 ft.
- †Mr. Kennett (*Kennett*) bright golden ground, most effectively striped with crimson, very fine showy flower, certainly one of the most distinct and effective of the Fancies. First-Class Certificate, Royal Horticultural Society, 9d. 3 ft.
- *Nance(*Ware*) the flowers are of medium size, perfect in form, and of a most pleasing shade of mauve, and is one of the best either for decoration or for cutting, 9d. 4 ft.
- Northern Star.....(*Cheal*) bright red, each petal distinctly margined with a broad golden yellow band, presenting a very quaint appearance. The flowers are of good form, on long stems, so that every flower is seen, this, coupled with the strange blending of colour and so wonderfully bright, must become one of the Lights of the family. Was honoured with F.C.C. by N.C.S., R.H.S., and the N.D.S., 1/- 4 ft.
- *Negress(*Ware*) dark velvety maroon, almost black, exceedingly free habit, with beautifully cut foliage. Awarded F.C.C. by the R.H.S., 9d. 3 ft.
- *Nellie Ware (*Ware*) a splendid and most distinct variety, of medium size, great substance and good form, in colour purplish crimson, 9d. 3 ft.
- *Paragon an old well-known and useful variety, of a soft deep maroon, the edges of the petals being of a bright purplish maroon, 6d. 5 ft.
- †Scarlet Defiance...(*Ware*) perhaps the richest scarlet of all, beautifully shaped flower, full in size, and of great substance, extra fine, 9d. 5 ft.
- †Scotch Lassie(*Ware*) buff, beautifully striped with rose, large flower, very distinct, 9d. 3 ft.
- *Victoria(*Cheal*) flowers perfect in form, of medium size, slightly reflexed, and the colour pure white, with a distinct margin of deep velvety crimson. F.C.C. were awarded by the R.H.S., the N.C.S., and the N.D.S., 9d. 3 ft.
- *Victory(*Ware*) very large, pure white, broad petals, beautifully rounded, 9d. 3½ ft.
- *Walter Ware (*Cullingford*) another charming and inviting variety, producing flowers of a pale chocolate colour, habit good, extra fine, 9d. 4 ft.
- †William Potten ...(*Ware*) bright vermilion, shaded cerise, fine shaped flowers, good reflexed petals, one of the best Single Dahlias ever sent out, 9d. 4 ft.
- *W. C. Harvey(*Ware*) a great favourite, flowers perfect, quite smooth, slightly reflexed, very free blooming, only growing about 3 feet, yellow, shaded with orange, with a bold conspicuous red ring at the base of the petals, the two colours forming a remarkable contrast. It was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the National Dahlia Society, 9d. 3 ft.
- *Wm. Cullingford...(*Ware*) rich yellow, of exquisite form, fine compact habit, extra, 9d. 4 ft.
- *White Queen of a neat and compact habit, extremely floriferous, the flowers stand well above the foliage, and are broad, well-rounded, and beautifully overlap each other, and of the purest whiteness, 6d. 4 ft.

SINGLE DAHLIAS—Stellate Varieties.

THIS is a very elegant and useful group, and much admired on account of their great adaptability for cutting purposes. They are all of exceptionally dwarf neat bushy habit, producing myriads of small starry flowers of every shade of colour. Their dwarf habit renders them admirably adapted for bedding, and the small flowers render them invaluable for cutting, especially for bouquets. They have been carefully selected from a large number of good varieties, and everyone enumerated can be relied upon as being thoroughly distinct, and can be highly recommended.

Purchaser's selection, 6s. per dozen.

ALMA, 2½ft., white, shaded with pale mauve, a very useful variety.

BEDDING GEM, 2½ft., pale orange scarlet, flowers small and starry, very showy, spreading in growth, profuse bloomer, one of the best of this group. Awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society.

ELSIE, 1½ft., beautiful fiery scarlet, very compact habit.

FREEDOM, 2½ft., deep scarlet lake, one of the best of this group.

ILLUSTRATION, 2½ft., deep lemon-chrome, small stellate flowers.

INGOMAR, 2½ft., bright magenta, very distinct and star-like, much admired.

INVINCIBLE, 2ft., beautiful rich rose lake, small stellate flowers.

LITTLE NOB, 2ft., very pretty deep crimson, maroon lines down each petal, very distinct.

MARY ANDERSON, 2½ft., dazzling orange scarlet, very attractive.

PANTALOOM IMPROVED, 2½ft., in the way of *Maggie*, light or pale rose-coloured flowers, edge of petals margined with maroon, white tips.

PAULINE, 2½ft., mauve, with yellow disc round the centre, very effective.

DAHLIAS—Miscellaneous Species & Varieties.

BLACK DAHLIA (*Dahlia Zimapani*).—A very interesting species, admirably adapted for massing and for the decoration of the border. It is of neat compact habit, very free flowering, and invaluable for cutting, as the flowers are small, in colour a deep rich crimson, almost black. This was much admired at the various shows last season, being so neat in form, and of such graceful shape and distinct colour. It requires similar treatment to other Dahlias, and is as easily grown. 6d. each; 5/- doz.

GLABRATA.—A dwarf growing species, about 2½ feet high, producing from August until cut off by frost, myriads of small lilac blossoms with a yellow centre; a little gem for cutting purposes, and one of the earliest in bloom. 9d. each; 6/- per doz.

MERCKII FLORIBUNDA.—Another lovely useful and distinct variety, flowers pure white, similar to *Glabrata*, produced in almost endless quantities; for simplicity and elegance it cannot be surpassed in the whole collection of Dahlias, and for cutting purposes it is simply lovely. 9d. each; 6/- doz.

IMPERIALIS (TREE DAHLIA).—A very rare and vigorous growing species, the flowers are large and drooping, white, slightly tinged with rose, not unlike a Lily, and when covered with bloom has a most beautiful effect. It continues in flower the whole winter, and is very useful for cutting. 1/6

IMPERIALIS EXCELSA (TREE DAHLIA), (Anemoneflora).—The Anemone-flowered Dahlia; a distinct Tree Dahlia, having lilac flowers, and attaining to a very considerable height; beautifully illustrated and fully described in the *Gardeners' Magazine* of February 24, 1883. 2/6.

ARGENTEA VARIEGATA (The Variegated Dahlia).—Foliage margined with silver, rosy-purple flowers, very distinct. 9d.

BEGONIAS.

THE following is a portion only of my celebrated collection of Begonias; the entire collection appeared in my Begonia Catalogue published in January, and to which I would refer all interested in this beautiful family. Catalogue contains a number of beautiful illustrations of some of the best varieties, and also contains a great amount of useful information as to their cultivation, the soil to grow them in, and their adaptabilities. The plants will be sent out established in pots, just ready for potting on, or for planting out.

AWARDS FOR BEGONIAS DURING 1892.

FIRST PRIZE International Horticultural Exhibition, July, 1892.

SILVER GILT FLORAL MEDAL at the Great Temple Show, May, 1892.

SILVER MEDAL International Horticultural Exhibition, June, 1892.

SEVEN FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES

Awarded by the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society, September, 1892.

FOUR FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES

Awarded at the International Horticultural Exhibition, July, 1892.

THREE AWARDS OF MERIT

Given by the Royal Horticultural Society, London, July, 1892.

SPECIAL AWARD OF THE HIGHEST MERIT

Given by the Glasgow and West of Scotland Horticultural Society, Sept., 1892.

Double Begonias, Named Varieties.

ADA ALLWARD.—An exquisite variety, beautiful in form, exceedingly double, of a bright rich salmon with a conspicuous white centre. A pretty combination and very distinct. 5/- each.

ALBA ROSEA.—Another beautiful combination and a favourite with everyone, flowers very large and exceedingly double, of a bright satiny pink with a pure white centre. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate. 2/- each.

BEAUTY OF BELGROVE.—An exquisitely formed flower of great size, most perfect in form, of a beautiful bright rose colour with white shading, in general appearance and colour it resembles very much *Rose La France*; one of the most remarkable of all the Double Begonias, and a great favourite. 5/- each.

BRIDESMAID.—A very large full flower, petals most beautifully arranged, of great substance, flowers erect, of a lovely blush-pink. A really first-class variety, 3/6 each.

BEXLEY GEM.—One of the best of my Bexley productions, and one that will take a foremost place in every collection of Double Begonias. It is perfection in form, habit erect, colour very decided and remarkably free blooming, colour a rich dark rose. Has been awarded two First-Class Certificates. 5/- each.

CHARLEMAGNE DENIZART.—A sterling novelty of great merit, having beautifully formed flowers of great size, of a lovely rich velvety crimson flaked with white. 3/6 each.

DOUBLE BEGONIAS—CONTINUED.

COURONNE.—A very prettily formed flower, exceptionally double, of a bright rosy-red, very free blooming, and on that account invaluable for decoration. 2/6 each.

DELICATA.—A very pleasing and effective shade, and one much admired at the various Exhibitions last year. The colour is a salmon-blush, the flowers large, very full and of most beautiful form. 3/6 each.

DORIS.—A superb double flower of splendid form, exceedingly full, flowers erect and standing well above the foliage, of a delicate rosy pink shading towards the centre to white; a most pleasing shade. 2/6 each.

DR. GUILLARD.—An exceptionally robust habit and remarkably free blooming, flowers large, of a rich deep crimson. 2/- each.

DUCHESS OF TECK.—This variety may be considered the finest and most elegant double yellow flowering variety in existence. Fine large golden flowers with bronzy stems, and characteristic dark green foliage; the form is a near approach to what may be considered perfection, and the habit of the plant is all that can be desired, namely, erectness and firmness of stem with the blooms thrown up clearly above the foliage in a most conspicuous fashion. Awarded several First-Class Certificates. 7/6 each.

DUKE OF TECK.—The finest double crimson variety in cultivation. Of a well defined crimson-scarlet colour, particularly glowing and distinct, prettiest conceivable shape with great heads of flowers. 7/6 each.

ELEGANS.—Another very fascinating variety, a favourite with everyone, and one that should be found in every collection of Begonias. The flowers are of medium size, of a rich bright salmon with a white centre, and remarkably free flowering. 3/- each.

FILBERTA.—Unique in form and colour, very full, petals beautifully imbricated of a rich salmon-rose. The flowers are erect and stand well above the foliage, and exceedingly free blooming; a gem for cutting or for Exhibition purposes. 3/6 each.

FLORA.—A very bold and effective variety, flowers of medium size, erect, standing well above the foliage, beautiful in form, and of a deep rich pink. 3/6 each.

GRANDIFLORA.—Large bold flowers on stout erect stems standing well above the foliage, of a rich bright salmon, flowers very double and exceedingly free blooming. 3/6 each.

HECLA.—A very prettily formed flower, very full, on stout stems standing well above the foliage and very free blooming, colour a bright glistening pink; a grand exhibition or cutting variety. 5/- each.

HENSHAW RUSSELL.—One of the very finest double Begonias yet raised, its bold, robust habit, large dark green foliage, rich bronzy stems, immense flowers of a brilliant scarlet colour, perfectly erect, standing out very conspicuously from all other varieties. The flowers are perfection, in form resembling a Camellia, and of the most brilliant scarlet imaginable. Was awarded two First-Class Certificates. 5/- each.

IBIS.—Another very fascinating variety, a favourite with everyone on account of its pretty combination of colour, rosy-salmon with a large pure white centre, habit and form everything that can be desired. 2/6 each.

IONA.—This was a great attraction at the Edinburgh Show last season, was admired by everyone, and is certain to become a great favourite. The flower is large, beautiful in form, standing well above the foliage. The colour is a rich golden orange, quite a new shade and difficult to describe. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society. 7/6 each.

DOUBLE BEGONIAS—CONTINUED.

- LUCIEN CHAUVE.**—A very bold distinct flower, large and full, fine form and habit, of a rich rose cerise, striped and flaked, and with a white centre. 2/6 each.
- MANORA.**—A splendid Exhibition variety, perfection in form, remarkably free flowering, standing well above the foliage, of a deep rich rose colour. 3/6 each.
- MARQUIS OF STAFFORD.**—One of the best of the crimsons, flowers large, well formed, exceedingly free blooming, and a first-class decorative or Exhibition variety. Awarded a First-Class Certificate. 2/- each.
- MESSINA.**—Fine full flowers, exquisite in form and very numerous, of a deep rich salmon. It is a good show variety, and for cutting or decorative purposes there are few of this shade to equal it. 3/6 each.
- MINNIE.**—Flowers of a delicate blush, first-class form, very full and exceptionally free blooming, flowers standing well above the foliage; a capital variety. 3/6 each.
- MISS JENNIE FELL.**—A charming Camellia-shaped flower of a deep rosy crimson colour, neat habit and grand form, a most attractive plant. First-Class Certificate awarded by the Royal Horticultural Society. 10/6 each.
- MRS. F. FELL.**—A truly magnificent variety, double-salmon rose of an exquisite shade of colour, and bearing the largest double flowers it is possible to produce and in great profusion. 15/- each.
- MRS. FRENCH.**—Flowers of exceptional size, and remarkably free blooming; perhaps one of the most profuse flowering varieties. The colour is a rich creamy white, flowers very full and almost perfect in form, and one I can strongly recommend for Exhibition or decorative purposes. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate. 3/- each.
- MRS. HENRY BLAKE.**—This variety is considered to be one of the best of the deep coloured varieties in cultivation. The flowers are perfect in form, standing erect on stout stems, rendering them invaluable for cutting or for Exhibition purposes. The colour is a rich dark crimson. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate. 2/6 each.
- PAVONIA.**—A beautiful rich, rosy pink, a most pleasing shade, flowers large and full, capital in form, exceeding free blooming, and useful for either Exhibition or cutting purposes. 5/- each.
- PHEBUS.**—A grand flower; one of the best yellows yet raised; it is not only a large flower but perfect in form and exceptionally free blooming, and of a rich deep yellow colour. This should be found in every collection, and one I can very highly recommend for Exhibition purposes. 5/- each.
- PRINCESS.**—A capital variety, and one that will eventually take a leading position in this family. The flowers are of medium size, very symmetrical and most beautifully formed, of a pretty blush white. 3/6 each.
- PRINCESS MAY.**—In form much resembling a Camellia, having pure white blooms with crimped edges. A great favourite with all who have seen it, and one of the very best. Awarded a First-Class Certificate at the International Horticultural Exhibition, and an Award of Merit by the Royal Horticultural Society. 15/- each.
- PROCIDA.**—A very effective variety, having somewhat drooping flowers of a delicate blush white, the guard petals tinged with salmon. 3/6 each.
- ROSALIE.**—A first-class Exhibition variety, flowers numerous, beautifully formed and very abundant, of a pleasing bright rose colour. 3/6 each.
- SALMONEA.**—A gem for basket work; the stems drooping and the flowers hanging very gracefully and in great profusion, of a rich salmon colour. 2/6 each.

DOUBLE BEGONIAS—CONTINUED.

SENORA.—A very free flowering variety, flowers large, very full, unique in form, of a rich dark orange yellow; quite a new shade. This will become a very popular variety for Exhibition purposes. 5/- each.

SERICA.—This variety is wonderfully pretty; it has finely developed blooms, the ground colour buff with a delicate shading of pink. 5/- each.

TRIOMPHE.—Grand crimson flowers of prodigious size, a very dazzling variety, sturdy habit and fine form, possessing all the best features of a Double Begonia. Certificated by the Royal Horticultural Society. 7/6 each.

VENICE.—A first-class Exhibition variety, flowers large, beautiful in form, standing perfectly erect, a most vigorous grower, very profuse blooming, and with flowers of the purest white. 3/6 each.

VERONA.—Flowers of a rich crimson scarlet, standing perfectly erect, a vigorous grower, exceedingly free blooming, and a first-class variety either for Exhibition or decorative purposes. 3/6 each.

Double Begonias, to colour.

I have much pleasure in offering the following very select strains of Double Begonias, and can, with every confidence, assert that a finer strain was never placed before the Public. Every variety offered is true to colour and first-class flowers, having been carefully selected when in bloom, so there is no question whatever of their great value for bedding, for border decoration, or for the conservatory. The higher-priced collections are quite equal to many of the named kinds still found in many named collections which are still offered at high prices, and I feel sure that better strains were never offered at the price, and I can with every confidence strongly recommend them.

Section 7.—MIXED DOUBLE BEGONIAS FOR BEDDING.

This is a remarkably fine strain, containing nothing but first-class flowers, all carefully selected when in bloom, discarding all inferior varieties, and retaining the dwarf compact growers with good double flowers, and as far as possible, those having erect blooms. For bedding purposes these are admirably adapted, every shade of colour will be found amongst them, and all will flower the first season. 9/- per dozen; 70/- per 100.

Section 8.—FOR EXHIBITION, SELECTED TO COLOUR.

All superb flowers, well adapted for Exhibition, of the finest form, nearly all erect, and possessing bright clear colours, wonderfully double, compact in growth, and quite equal to many of the named kinds. Colours:—Pink, Salmon, Rose, Blush-pink, Golden-bronze, Salmon-rose. 12/- per doz.

Section 9.—GEMS FOR EXHIBITION, SELECTED TO COLOUR.

Many of these are vastly superior to the named varieties found in some collections at three times the price; every variety is perfect in form, a first-class habit, and really fine Exhibition varieties. The following colours may be supplied, but the stock of each shade is small, and to prevent disappointment, early orders are solicited:—Rose, Pink, Scarlet, Red, Blush-white, Pure White. 6 colours selected, 24/- per dozen.

WARE'S TUBEROUS BEGONIAS—SINGLES.

READY FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY.

I am in a position to offer a grand collection of these popular plants, having one of the largest and finest collections in the world. The following may be relied upon as being first class for the respective purposes for which they are offered; for fuller descriptions and list of awards see my Begonia Catalogue, published in January.

Section 1.—MIXED SINGLE BEGONIAS FOR BEDDING.

This is undoubtedly the very finest strain procurable at the price. Every plant has been carefully examined when in flower, all of good habit, more or less erect, and nothing allowed to pass unless up to the standard. Every shade of colour will be found among them, from the purest white to the deepest crimson; including every shade of yellow, bronze, rose, and other intermediate shades. The plants are very uniform in size, and all tubers are of flowering size. 4/- per doz.; 25/- per 100.

Section 2.—CHEAP SINGLE BEDDING BEGONIAS TO COLOUR.

These are a better strain and all selected when in bloom; uniformity of growth, regularity in size of bloom, flowers large and massive, and are what I should strongly recommend for bedding purposes. The following shades can be relied upon to produce a mass of colour, so near in shade as to appear as one plant, consequently adapted for making designs for bedding. Crimson, Scarlet, Yellow, Salmon, Rose, and Pink, are the only colours that can be now supplied; all flowering tubers. 5/- per doz.; 35/- per 100.

Section 3.—SINGLE BEGONIAS FOR POT CULTURE.

This and the following sections contain all very high-class flowers, perfection in form, perfectly round smooth petals—which is a great point in a Florist's eye, so many of the large flowers having large corrugated petals,—bright clear colours, and all of a stout erect habit, and not drooping, which is one of the characteristics of the old race. I have made a great point, both in Single and Double, respecting this character, drooping flowers being of no use excepting for certain purposes, and to which a special class is devoted. I can offer fine selected varieties of the following colours, viz.—White, Yellow, Pink, Scarlet, Crimson, Rose-salmon, Deep Crimson, and others. Distinct colours, selected from above, 9/- per doz.; 60/- per 100.

Section 4.—SINGLE BEGONIAS FOR CONSERVATORY DECORATION.

A still finer selection, equally as varied, but with larger and more refined flowers, and some very novel shades, quite distinct from any offered in the previous section. The following shades can be supplied:—White, Scarlet, Pink, Rose, Golden-bronze, Salmon, Deep Bronze, Yellow, Orange, Vermilion, Dark Crimson, Light Crimson, Magenta margined with rose and white centres. 12 distinct varieties from this section for 12/-

Section 5.—SINGLE BEGONIAS FOR EXHIBITION.

This is an exceptional selection, every variety offered being equal to many of the named kinds. The flowers are all of exceptional size, the habit of the plants dwarf and compact, the flowers erect, perfect in outline, and the flowers may be taken as an illustration of this group, everyone is a model of what a good Begonia should be. None of this group are named, but all offered either to colour or in selections as follows:—Salmon, Scarlet, Magenta, Sulphur, Dark Rose, Crimson-scarlet, Reddish-blush, Yellow, Salmon-blush, Deep Bronzy-yellow, Salmon-rose, Golden-bronze, Rose-salmon, Bright Pink, Dark Crimson, Bright Crimson, Pure White, and others. 12 distinct varieties, selected from above, for 18/- and 24/-

SINGLE BEGONIAS—CONTINUED.

Section 6.—SINGLE BEGONIAS FOR HANGING BASKETS.

Those selected for this purpose are of a procumbent habit, remarkably free blooming, as varied in colour as any of the preceding groups, and such as I can thoroughly recommend. They can be used in a variety of ways, which the plants themselves will suggest, but for hanging in porches, in the conservatory, or for drooping over the brows of rocks, there is nothing to equal them. Crimson, Pink, Scarlet, Yellow, White, Picotee, very fine. 2/6 each; 24/- per doz.

Single Begonias, Named Varieties.

A grand collection, including the very finest yet raised, every variety perfect in form, and a "model" of what a good Begonia should be. The magnificent groups which were exhibited so freely last season contained many of these varieties, and were acknowledged by the Press generally to be far ahead of anything previously seen, and the numerous Prizes and Certificates awarded last season are indicative of the superiority of my collection. The FIRST PRIZE at the great Begonia Exhibition was awarded to my collection; an honour of no mean merit, seeing it was no honorary prize, but awarded for the superiority of the flowers and the arrangement of the groups against all the growers which competed.

ALBA FIMBRIATA.—Immense flowers, perfect in form, of great substance, and of the purest white imaginable, having the edge of the petals beautifully fringed. 5/- each.

ALICE HAMPSON.—A bright glowing salmon, a fine well-formed erect flower, of great substance. 3/6 each.

ANGOLA.—A deep bright pink of immense proportions, beautifully formed and of great substance, but slightly drooping. 2/6 each.

AURORA.—A bright glowing vermilion scarlet, a grand flower, and marvellously free blooming. 2/6 each.

AVOCA.—Quite a new shade, a rich golden-bronze, and a great favourite with everyone; flowers large, well formed and perfectly erect, and exceptionally free blooming. 2/- each.

BEXLEY WHITE.—Immense in size, the most perfect in form, petals of great substance, like wax, and of the purest white imaginable, probably the best white yet raised. 5/- each.

BLACK KNIGHT.—A deep rich blood crimson, a most unusual shade, and one of the darkest in my collections; the form, habit, and size, everything that can be desired. 2/- each.

BLUSHING BRIDE.—A most pleasing shade, and a great favourite, especially with the Ladies—a beautiful blush, a most symmetrically formed flower, and remarkably free blooming. 2/6 each.

CAMBRIA.—A rich bright crimson, flowers very erect, and of great substance. 2/6 each.

CHALLENGER.—A rich deep crimson, exceptionally fine form, and exceedingly free blooming, flowers standing well above the foliage, and perfectly erect. First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society. 3/6 each.

CONDOR.—A giant among the Begonias—a superbly built flower, and of great substance, of a deep rich crimson; one of the best of this shade. 2/6 each.

DEAN SWIFT.—A very pleasing and effective shade, and one that will become a great favourite for exhibition purposes, it being such a beautifully formed flower, and an exceptional colour, viz., soft salmon-red. 2/6 each.

DEVONIA.—A very robust grower, with fine massive foliage, large well formed flowers of a rich golden-orange-yellow, tinted with bronze, an unusual shade, and very effective. 3/- each.

DISTINCTION.—A marked flower, wonderfully distinct, the colour is a rosy pink or carmine, with a small pure white centre, quite a new departure, and very effective; flower perfect. 2/6 each.

FELICIA.—A marvellously free-blooming variety, producing fine formed flowers of a rich golden yellow. 2/- each.

SINGLE NAMED BEGONIAS—CONTINUED.

- FULDA.**—A deep rich salmon red, a distinct shade, and a fine exhibition variety. 2/- each.
- GARONNE.**—Quite a new and fashionable shade in the Begonia, a rich dark bronze, flowers first-class in form and size, and exceedingly free blooming. 2/- each.
- GOLIATH.**—This is a "Bexley Goliath," unusual in colour and exceptional in size; the colour is a golden-bronze, deepening towards the centre, and shading off towards the edge of the petals to a light bronze. 5/- each.
- HEBE.**—A fine well formed flower, of a bright rich rose, fine habit, and exceptionally free-blooming, the flowers standing erect above the foliage. 2/6 each.
- HEROINE.**—A rich vermilion, very symmetrical in form, and of great substance; first-class for exhibition. 2/6 each.
- LEONORA.**—A pretty neat habit, and exceptionally free blooming, flowers beautifully formed and of good size, of a bright rich pink; a very effective and pleasing variety. 2/6 each.
- LORD BYRON.**—Remarkably distinct, and one of the most effective in my collection. The flowers are fine in form, of a brilliant rich scarlet, with a pure white centre, a grand exhibition variety. 5/- each.
- MAGNETA.**—A rich vermilion-scarlet, a most dazzling shade, probably one of the brightest yet raised, standing out very conspicuously among the less brilliant varieties. 2/- each.
- MARGINATA.**—A most exquisite variety, and a great favourite with everyone. Flowers large, and of great texture; the colour pure white, with a bright pink line on the margins of the petals. 5/- each.
- MORAVIA.**—Bold and effective, flowers very large and erect, of great substance, of a deep rich scarlet. 5/- each.
- MONARCH.**—Bold rich crimson flowers, very large, and perfection in form. 3/- each.
- NERISSA.**—A very fascinating and pleasing flower of a delicate rosy-pink colour, form perfect, stout wax-like petals, a really first-class exhibition variety. 3/- each.
- NOVELTY.**—This is one of the "New Combination" coloured varieties, bright magenta with a pure white centre, forming a striking contrast, and arresting the attention of everyone. 3/- each.
- PARAGON.**—A very peculiar and pleasing shade, and one difficult to describe, a glowing salmon-rose—perhaps being the nearest; it is a fine flower in every respect. 2/- each.
- PENSACOLA.**—A beautiful well-formed flower, very symmetrical, and remarkably free blooming, of a rich decided pink, and exceptionally free flowering. 2/- each.
- PERFECTION.**—A very appropriate name in every respect, and worthy of general cultivation, the colour is a deep orange-yellow, and a very beautifully formed flower. 3/6 each.
- PRIDE OF BEXLEY.**—A great favourite with everyone, a most beautifully formed flower of a most delicate blush, one of the best singles in my collection. 3/6 each.
- PRINCESS MAUDE.**—The purest white imaginable, flowers large, of fine form, and produced in great profusion, one of the best of this colour, especially for cutting or for exhibition purposes. 2/6 each.
- PURITY.**—This is acknowledged by all to be one of the very best, it is indispensable for cutting, decoration, or for exhibition, is a "model" flower in every respect, and exceptionally profuse flowering, and of the purest white. 1/6 each.
- ROSEA SUPERBA.**—Fine stately habit, a well-built flower of a delicate rose colour, one of the best of this shade. 3/- each.
- SUNSET.**—A beautiful bright orange-yellow, very free blooming, in fact forming a complete "Bouquet" the whole of the season. 3/- each.
- VELLEDA.**—A fine robust habit, massive foliage, and large bright yellow flowers standing well above the foliage. 3/- each.
- VENUS.**—A very effective combination of colour, rich violet-crimson with a bold white centre, a very vigorous habit, and an abundance of flowers, which should entitle it to a place in every collection. 5/- each.
- ZANDA.**—One of the best of this shade, a rich glowing salmon, unusually symmetrical in form and size, and very free. 3/- each.

12 First-class Varieties, selected from above, for 21/- and 30/-

SUMMER FLOWERING CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

FOR SUMMER AND AUTUMN BEDDING.

This is an invaluable group for summer decoration, flowers of every shade of colour, marvellously free blooming, easily grown in almost any soil, and producing masses of flowers from July until cut off by frost. They are also very dwarf, none growing more than 3 feet, while some are much less, and when massed form a most brilliant display. They are all fully described in my Chrysanthemum Catalogue, published in January. The plants are strong, and can be planted out about the first week in May, watering freely until well established, and then tying to neat sticks to protect them from the winds, they will then flower by the end of July.

A fine Collection, 4/- doz., 28/- per 100; my selection.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS, GENERAL COLLECTION.

I would specially call attention to my Novelties of this season in all sections, especially to **EDA PRASS**, **MERMAID**, **ABBOTT'S WHITE**, **FRANK THOMPSON**, **GREAT EASTERN**, and several others, to which special attention is called in my General Chrysanthemum Catalogue, which may still be had free on application. This Catalogue will be found exceedingly useful to everyone, as it contains an endless amount of information, all the best of every section enumerated and described, many of them beautifully figured, with cultural notes as to soil, cultivation, etc.

DELPHINIUMS.

A bold and attractive class of hardy perennials, deserving of very general cultivation. Nothing can surpass them, with their long stout spikes of soft pleasing colours, varying through every shade of blue from the palest silvery to the deepest indigo, many possessing a pink or purple tinge, while the centres vary from pure white to brown and black, resembling a "Bee." They are perfectly hardy, of perennial duration, and grow and succeed in almost any soil or situation, are easily propagated by division, and can also be raised from seed. By removing the flower stems as soon as the first display is over, second spikes of flowers will be produced, thus materially lengthening the flowering season. No garden can be considered furnished if these superb plants are wanting.

NEW DELPHINIUMS.

The following six varieties are unquestionably far ahead of anything yet offered. They are the best selected from thousands of my own hybridized seedlings. They have been carefully compared for several years past with all existing varieties, both old and new, so as to thoroughly convince myself they are the very best yet raised of this invaluable group of plants.

The following six new varieties for 12/-

J. T. BARBER.—Bright Gentian blue, heavily shaded with rosy-mauve, with a clear white eye individual flowers very large and of fine form, one of the very finest and most distinct of this family yet raised, and one of the best Novelties of the season. 3/6 each.

LADY EDMUND TALBOT.—Oxford blue, slightly shaded with rose, brown centre, very compact spike, beautifully formed flowers of great substance, and a decided acquisition to this family, one of the best of the season. 3/6 each.

LORD HILLINGDON.—Bright Oxford blue, centre flushed with bright mauve, a pretty combination, flowers large and well formed, evenly arranged, and forming a most beautiful spike. 3/- each.

MRS. WALTER FIELD.—Bright Cambridge blue, heavily shaded with rose, dark centre, rendering it very conspicuous, flowers large, of fine form, a bold massive spike, a grand acquisition. 3/- each.

MRS. W. H. ELLIS.—Deep Gentian blue, with a broad band of rosy-mauve running through the centre of each petal, a remarkably well formed flower of great size, forming a fine bold spike; very effective. 3/- each.

SIR HERBERT MAXWELL.—A fine bold spike, flowers large, outer petals of a bright Gentian blue, centre of flower bright rosy-purple; a very distinct variety. 3/- each.

DELPHINIUMS, GENERAL COLLECTION.

My selection, 6/-, 9/- and 12/- per dozen.

LOBELIAS.

A most useful and effective group of plants, producing flowers of a dazzling scarlet, crimson, blue, and white colours; they are invaluable either for associating with bedding plants, intermixing in herbaceous borders, or grouped in beds by themselves. They commence flowering towards the end of July, usually keeping up a grand display until cut down by frost. There is little difficulty attending their cultivation; they should have a good rich soil, the plants being consigned to their flowering positions about the middle of May; ample room should always be left for the plants to furnish themselves fully, as the side shoots, which are produced freely, throw up an ample amount of bloom after the central spike is comparatively past. They make a magnificent show in boggy or damp shady places.

Plants ready in May.

Fulgens Hybrida	a most beautiful shade of violet-purple, noble foliage of a deep green colour, a grand and striking plant. 6d. each; 5/- per doz.
Splendens Queen Victoria	flowers intense vermilion colour, with bronzy-purple foliage, very striking in groups. 9d. each; 6/- per doz.
Syphilitica	this is a hardy species, specially adapted for a damp shady situation, producing spikes of blue flowers. 9d. each; 6/- per doz.
— alba	a pure white variety, very effective and quite hardy. 9d. each; 7/6 doz.

NEW PENTSTEMONS.

There is no class of plants so valuable for late summer and autumn decoration as Pentstemons; when massed in beds and borders they are grand. They include almost every shade of colour, from the purest white to the deepest crimson; shades of rose, scarlet, purple, and crimson predominating. They form neat bushes, composed of long slender stems from 1½ to 2½ feet in height, which are covered with large Gloxinia-like flowers, are easily grown in any ordinary border, and should be planted during April or May. With a little manipulation they may be had in bloom for months in succession by simply pinching out the leading shoots after they have finished blooming; this process will prompt into growth many side shoots which will flower later, thus considerably extending the time of flowering.

The following new varieties are great improvements upon the older kinds and quite equal to my previous introductions, which have attained a world-wide celebrity.

"THE GARDEN."—This is really a handsome autumn-flowering plant. If we take the garden varieties only that have been produced during the last ten years there are few more useful groups, either for producing cut flowers or for the adornment of the garden borders, especially after the more tender subjects have been destroyed by the early frosts, then the Pentstemon holds up its head bravely, defying the inclement weather.

The set of four new varieties for 7/-

MISS NAOMI HARDY.—Large and well-formed flowers of a bright magenta red, throat heavily pencilled with deep maroon, forming a large and telling spike. 2/- each.

MADAME PATEY.—Large open flowers of an intense rich scarlet with a clear white throat, flowers remarkably well-formed and a very fine bold spike. This is the best scarlet Pentstemon in the whole of my collection. 2/- each.

MADAME ADELINA PATTI.—Flowers rich magenta red, throat beautifully pencilled with maroon; a large bold spike, very effective. 2/- each.

MADAME ANTOINETTE STERLING.—Rich coral red, throat pure white, very clearly defined, forming a striking contrast; an extra large spike and well filled. 2/- each.

PENTSTEMONS.—GENERAL COLLECTION.

A large collection of all the leading kinds; names can be supplied if required.

My Selection, Strong Flowering Plants, 6/- doz. Purchaser's Selection, 1/- each; 9/- doz.

PYRETHRUMS, DOUBLE.

Whether for the decoration of the border or for cutting, their value is incalculable, and are now far more extensively cultivated than hitherto. The flowers are exceedingly varied in colour, having a great resemblance to a well-formed China Aster or Large-flowered Chrysanthemum, and are produced in such abundance as to render them invaluable during the summer months for cut bloom or for decorative purposes, whilst their Fern-like foliage is extremely handsome; particularly during the spring months. My collection of these comprises every variety which can be considered distinct and worthy of cultivation. I cultivate a very large number, as I look upon these as being among the most useful of our hardy decorative border plants. For full description of all the varieties cultivated, see my Florist Flower Catalogue, published in February.

My selection, 9/- per dozen. Strong Plants in pots, to flower this season.

PYRETHRUMS—New Single.

The increased taste for single flowers during the past few years has been very remarkable, and in some cases the demand for single varieties far exceeds that of double. At this there is not much surprise, as I must admit that in some cases, especially Pyrethrums, Dahlias, &c., they are far more brilliant, far more graceful, far more effective for decorative purposes, and in every sense far more effective for cutting. Compare the difference between a vase of single Pyrethrums and a vase of doubles, and the singles will invariably have the preference, although on the other hand there are many uses in which the doubles are far superior to the singles, hence room for both should be found in every border. The following new varieties are of my own raising and are really first-class, and great improvements upon the older kinds.

The four new varieties for 10/6.

- JOHN MALCOLM.**—A fine bold flower having a double row of petals, but not detracting from the form the least, but rather improving it, of a bright rosy pink, exceptionally free blooming. 2/6 each.
- J. INNES ROGERS.**—A most delicate blush with a prominent golden yellow centre, forming a striking contrast, flowers very large and of great substance, remarkably free, exceptionally formed. 3/- each.
- LADY KELVIN.**—Pure white, with a bright golden centre, petals broad and stout, a very symmetrical flower, and for cutting one of the most useful in my collection, while for general decoration there is nothing more effective. 3/6 each.
- MRS. ALLFREY.**—Bright rose, petals broad and overlapping, of great substance, a fine round flower and exceptionally free blooming, it is an especially warm shade, and one which will become a great favourite, especially for cutting. 3/- each.

HARDY BAMBOOS.

Now is a capital time to plant this family, by far preferable than Autumn or early Spring. A fine collection appears in my Illustrated Catalogue, pages 58 and 59.

Six distinct varieties for 15/-, 18/- and 21/-

PANSIES—SHOW AND FANCY.

I have a very select selection of this favourite family, all the inferior varieties have been omitted, and the very best of each section included, and my patrons will find it difficult to find even a second-class variety in my collection. Almost every shade of colour will be found amongst them, and very pretty designs can be made, either by themselves or in conjunction with other spring flowers; there is no other family possessing such diversity of colour, abundance of bloom, and of such easy cultivation as these. My selection, 6/- per dozen; Purchaser's selection, 7/6 per dozen.

TUFTED PANSIES or VIOLAS for BEDDING.

These are most useful for the decoration of the borders and beds, and planted in lines or massed together they are grand, especially when used in conjunction with other flowering Perennials and Bulbs. Many are extensively grown for cutting, and the demand for this purpose is annually increasing

Fine Collection, 4/- per dozen; 25/- per 100.

Viola Cornuta alba, extra fine for edging, massing, &c., 2/6 doz.; 16/- 100.

PERENNIAL PHLOX.

SUMMER AND AUTUMN FLOWERING VARIETIES IN III. SECTIONS.

Section I.—PHLOX, Early Flowering (*Suffruticosa*).

This group is quite distinct in habit, foliage, and time of flowering, from all others; they are very dwarf, ranging from 18 inches to 2½ feet in height, bearing large trusses of flowers of every shade, and flowering in June and July, while the late flowering ones do not flower till August and September. They are perfectly hardy and easily grown, revelling in good rich loam, plenty of manure, and abundance of water should the season be at all dry. What a charming bed these would make mixed with the dwarf late flowering varieties.

"Garden Work."—The Phloxes have produced immense heads of bloom this year. I have always found them to endure wet as well as most plants, and now it would appear that they can withstand long-continued drought also. It is surprising how the roots of the plants increase—what great clumps they become. A mass a yard across, and as much, or more, high, with a hundred stems, each supporting a bouquet of flowers, makes a grand display in herbaceous or shrubby borders. All they require is a free soil liberally manured, and an open situation. No plants surpass them for affording a quantity of effective beautiful flowers, with little trouble and expense. The only attention needed is to keep the clumps within bounds, and to give manure in mulch form liberally.

Strong Plants in pots, my Selection, 6/- per dozen.

Section II.—PHLOX, Late Flowering Tall Varieties (*Decussata*).

This is one of the most important groups for autumn decoration, and should be well represented in every garden. They are so hardy that no weather will affect them, are not at all fastidious as to soil or situation, although to produce the finest effect they must have rich soil and plenty of manure. They grow from three to four feet in height producing stout rigid stems, each terminating with a large branching head of flowers varying in colour from the purest white to the deepest crimson. They are grand for autumn decoration, either for massing or in the mixed border, and can also be grown in pots, but the dwarf varieties I would recommend for this purpose.

Strong Plants in pots, my Selection, 6/- per dozen.

Section III.—PHLOX, Late Flowering Dwarf Varieties (*Decussata*).

These are similar in every way to the previous section but of a remarkably dwarf habit, free flowering, forming branching bushes from eighteen inches to two and a half feet in height, are invaluable for border decoration, or growing in pots. A bed composed entirely of Phloxes, carefully selected from each of the three sections would produce a brilliant display from June till September, and when once planted would last for years.

Strong Plants in pots, my Selection, 6/- per dozen.

CANNAS.

Strong plants established in pots, ready for immediate planting.

A stately genus of ornamental foliage plants, having broad massive foliage of various shades of colour, surmounted by spikes of crimson, scarlet, orange and yellow flowers; growing from 5 to 8ft. in height, one of the most useful groups for imparting a tropical aspect to the garden. They form large effective clumps, and are especially adapted for large beds, isolated on the lawn, on the margin of water, in conspicuous positions in the shrubbery or herbaceous border, and form beautiful specimens in pots.

THE NEW LARGE FLOWERING VARIETIES

Are remarkable for their dwarf compact habit, only growing 3 to 4 feet in height, producing flowers of every shade of colour, and of immense size, many resembling *Gladiolus*. The dwarf growing varieties form a group invaluable for general decoration or for pots—and the more they are known the more they will be appreciated.

As soon as the plants have been spoilt by the frost they should be lifted and stored in a cellar or shed, away from frost, where they can remain until Spring. They should then be divided and re-planted where they are intended to stand, giving them plenty of manure and water.

Antoine Crozy.—Is of a neat bushy habit, large handsome spikes of bright crimson flowers. 1/- each. 10/6 doz.

Capricieux.—A most striking variety, having noble spikes of exceedingly beautiful orange-scarlet flowers. Was awarded a First-class Certificate by R. H. Society, 1/6 each.

Depute Henon.—Long lanceolate dark green foliage, producing noble spikes of light yellow flowers shading towards the centre to a rosy-red, a remarkable variety. 1/6 each.

Emperor William II.—A beautiful new variety of last season, flowers very large, extra fine form, of a brilliant vermilion red colour. 2/6 each.

Felix Crousse.—Foliage green, margined purple, spikes of orange scarlet flowers. 2/6

Francisque Morel.—Remarkably vigorous habit, producing numerous stems, flowers very large and abundant, having very long petals, of a beautiful deep cherry-red colour. First-Class Certificate. 1/- each.

Guillaume Conston.—Strong vigorous habit, growing 4½ feet in height, large green foliage, flowers very numerous, bright yellow, shaded carmine, and of great substance. 1/- each.

Jules Chretien.—A very robust variety, with glaucous green foliage, and brilliant rosy red flowers. 5/-

Legionnaires.—Bold handsome dark purple foliage, 3 feet in height, producing bright scarlet flowers. 2/6

Louise Chretien.—Very distinct, light graceful foliage, of a pleasing green shade. Flowers bright yellow, beautifully striped and spotted with orange-scarlet. First-Class Certificate. 1/- each.

Picturata.—A grand bold variety, growing 4 feet high, flowers canary yellow spotted maroon carmine, very distinct. 1/-; 10/6 doz.

Souvenir de Mme. Liabaut.—Long lanceolate foliage, and noble spikes of large salmon scarlet flowers. 2/6 each.

My selection, 6 distinct varieties for 7/6, 10/6, 15/- & 18/-; 12 varieties for 24/-

CANNAS, OLDER VARIETIES.

Annei (*Italica*).—This grows 6 feet, with large leaves, and flowers of a pale salmon colour. 1/-; 10/6 doz.

Auguste Ferrier.—A grand decorative plant attaining 6 to 8 feet in height, with immense purple foliage, and reddish-orange flowers. 1/-; 10/6 doz.

Gloire de Lyon.—A stately form with large metallic-purple foliage, and bright salmon-coloured flowers. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

Planteret.—A fine bold variety with glaucous green foliage and bright red flowers. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

Premice de Nice.—Is of neat habit, growing 3 feet, with glaucous green foliage and canary-yellow flowers. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

President Faivre.—A bold handsome variety, 5 feet high, having bronze coloured foliage and amaranth-red flowers. 1/-; 10/6 doz.

Queen Victoria.—Another dwarf and free-flowering variety, with flowers of a glowing scarlet. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

6 distinct vars., strong plants for 5/- | 12 distinct vars., for 10/-

HARDY EDGING & BEDDING PLANTS.

A fine collection of hardy plants, adapted for edging and mixing with other Bedding Plants, plants ready for planting out early in May.

ACHILLEA CLAVENNE.—Compact tufts of hoary foliage, and numerous heads of white flowers, fine as an edging plant. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

— **TOMENTOSA.**—A dense creeping plant with dark green foliage, and large heads of deep yellow flowers. 5/- doz.; 35/- per 100.

AJUGA REPTANS PURPUREA.—Dark purple bronzy foliage, forms a charming contrast to other light foliage plants, useful for massing or edging. Plants from ground, 4/- doz.

ANTENNARIA TOMENTOSA (*Snow Plant*).—A gem for carpeting or edging small beds, one of the best of this section. 2/6 doz.; 16/- 100.

ARABIS ALBIDA VARIEGATA.—This forms neat cushions of bright silvery variegation, quite hardy, and very useful for edging and many other purposes which the plants will suggest. 4/- doz.

— **LUCIDA VARIEGATA.**—A fine perennial edging with bright golden foliage. 5/-; 30/- 100.

ARENARIA CÆSPITOSA.—A beautiful evergreen plant, forming sheets of minute foliage, scarcely an inch in height, fine for massing, etc. 4/- doz.; 25/- 100.

— **BALEARICA.**—A charming plant for shady damp positions, forming dense evergreen sheets of a dark green, completely smothered with pure white flowers. 4/- doz.; 30/- 100.

CAREX TENUIS FOL. VARIEGATA.—A very ornamental variegated Sedge, foliage erect, slightly drooping at the points, every leaf broadly margined with golden-yellow, having a very pleasing appearance and one that will become a favourite for edging purposes. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

DACTYLIS GLOMERATA ELEGANTISSIMA (*Silver Cock's Foot Grass*).—Fine for the margins of large beds, carriage drives, etc. Good plants from ground, 4/- doz.; 25/- 100.

— — **AUREA.**—This is the most distinct and effective edging plant in cultivation. It grows about 9 inches, foliage of a bright golden yellow, and drooping from the points, rendering it very graceful. It can be used in many ways, and forms a conspicuous object. 4/- doz.; 27/6 100.

HERNIARIA GLABRA.—This is very useful for covering the ground, forming a solid mass of dark Olive-green foliage, very free growing and can be used in a variety of ways. 3/- doz.; 20/- 100.

LYSIMACHIA NUMMULARIA AUREA (*Golden Creeping Jenny*).—Golden yellow foliage, very bright and effective, useful for many purposes, thoroughly hardy, and very easily grown. 4/- doz.

POLEMONIUM CÆRULEUM VARIEGATUM (*Variegated Jacob's Ladder*).—Beautiful Fern-like foliage, distinctly margined with white, well adapted for edging and a variety of other purposes, also useful for pots. 9d. each; 8/- per doz.

SEDUM ACRE ELEGANS.—A pretty variety of the Common Stonecrop, having each shoot tipped with white, forming a very effective carpet plant. 4/- doz.

— **GLAUCUM.**—Bright glaucous blue-green foliage, fine for covering beds, rockery, etc., and will grow in very dry places. 4/- doz.

— **LYDIUM.**—Forms a mass of reddish-crimson foliage, scarcely an inch high, and exceedingly effective for covering beds, etc. This is largely used in London parks. 2/6 doz.; 16/- 100.

SERGULA PILIFERA AUREA.—Forms a dense carpet of golden yellow, fine for carpeting. 4/- doz.; 25/- per 100.

SEMPERVIVUM CALCARATUM.—Forms large green rosettes, 6 inches across, the finest and most useful of this family, quite as effective as an Echeveria, and quite hardy. 4/- doz.; 35/- 100.

THYMUS MONTANUS ALBUS.—Forms a close compact trailing mass of light evergreen foliage which is completely covered with snow-white flowers. 6d. each; 5/- doz.

VERONICA INCANA.—Bright silvery foliage, very useful for edging large beds or carriage drives, flowers blue, and will thrive in almost any soil or situation. 4/- doz.; 25/- 100.

— **REPENS.**—Grand for miniature beds, forming sheets of dense green moss-like foliage, covering the ground and smothered with white flowers, can be used in a variety of ways with a very pretty effect. From ground, 2/6 doz.; 16/- 100.

— **RUPESTRIS.**—This forms a solid carpet of deep green foliage, smothered in early spring with blue flowers, fine for massing, etc. 4/- dozen; 25/- per 100.

CLEMATIS.

This family is one of the most important of my celebrated Collection of Hardy Climbers, and not only is it one of the largest collections but one of the largest stocks in the country. The out-put during 1892 was nearly 30,000, besides enormous quantities of other varieties. For covering large spaces quickly the Clematis is unrivalled, and for massing is particularly well adapted, making a grand display during summer and autumn. The plants are grown in pots, and can be planted with safety at any time, and will all flower this season.

My selection of the following and many other varieties, 1/6 to 2/6 each; 15/- and 18/- per doz.

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| ALEXANDRA, pale reddish violet with light band. | LORD LONDESBOROUGH, large deep mauve flowers, very free. |
| ANDERSON HENRY, large flowers, pure white. | LORD NEVILLE, rich dark blue flowers, very distinct. |
| BEAUTY OF WORCESTER, lovely bluish violet with white stamens. | LORD GIFFORD, fine large deep pink flowers. |
| BELLE OF WORKING, double silvery grey flowers. | LOUIS VAN HOUTTE, bluish purple, good and free. |
| COUNTRESS OF LOVELACE, double, bluish lilac, very free. | LUCIE LEMOINE, large double white, with pale yellow anthers. |
| DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH, double white, vigorous and free flowering. | MADAME GRANGE, crimson violet, with red bar. |
| DUKE OF EDINBURGH, rich violet purple. | MADAME VAN HOUTTE, large white, a strong grower. |
| EARL OF BEACONSFIELD, large deep purple flowers. | MARIE LEFEBVRE, delicate mauve, with deeper bar. |
| ENCHANTRESS, double white, flushed with rose. | MISS BATEMAN, white, with chocolate anthers. |
| EXCELSIOR, rich deep mauve, a good variety. | MONTANA, white, Anemone-like flowers. |
| FAIRY QUEEN, flesh colour, with pink band. | MRS. BUSH, light lavender, changing to lilac. |
| FLAMMULA (SPECIES), pure white. | MRS. CHOLMONDELEY, lavender, tipped with purple. |
| FORTUNEI FL. PL., double white, sweetly scented | MRS. CRAWSHAY, a pretty softer pink, distinct. |
| GEM, large, lavender blue. | MRS. GEORGE JACKMAN, large satiny white. |
| GIPSY QUEEN, rich velvety purple. | PURPUREA ELEGANS, large, deep violet purple. |
| GRAND DUCHESS, white, slightly tinged with rose. | ROBERT HANBURY, bluish lilac, flushed with red. |
| INDIVISA, a grand greenhouse climber with deep green glossy foliage, and abundance of star-shaped flowers. | RUBRO VIOLACEA, maroon shaded purple, large flowers. |
| JACKMANI, intense purple, free flowering variety. | RUBELLA, rich claret purple and very free. |
| — ALBA, white, faintly shaded with blue. | STAR OF INDIA, reddish plum, with deeper coloured bar. |
| — SUPERBA, deep purple, with broad sepals. | SYMEANA, pale mauve or bluish lavender. |
| JOHN GOULD VEITCH, double lavender blue. | VITICELLA RUBRA GRANDIFLORA, rich purplish red, extra fine flowers. |
| LADY BOVILLE, greyish blue flowers, cupped. | — VENOSA, reddish purple, with a white band. |
| LADY CAROLINE NEVILLE, white, suffused with red, mauve bar. | VELUTINA PURPUREA, blackish mulberry, distinct. |
| LADY LONDESBOROUGH, silvery grey flowers. | VENUS VICTRIX, double, delicate lavender, free. |
| LANUGINOSA CANDIDA, large bold white flowers. | WILLIAM KENNET, deep glistening lavender, an extra fine flower. |
| LAWSONIANA, large bright shining purple flowers. | |

The above are only a portion of the sorts I grow; for full collection see my Spring Catalogue of Hardy Climbers, No. 146.

Miscellaneous Hardy Climbing Plants.

A most interesting collection, containing some of our most beautiful forms of vegetation, exceedingly varied in foliage, flower and adaptabilities. The embellishment of walls, &c., is steadily growing, and an increasing demand for showy and effective plants adapted for the purpose. This section has been a great speciality with me for years, and everything has been done to make it as perfect as my other collections, and it is unquestionably one of the finest in the trade, not only in variety but in the enormous stock produced every season. They are indispensable for the adornment of house or garden walls, covering old stumps, beautifying old and unsightly buildings, for the formations of screens, for the rockery, trained over Verandahs, or forming bowers, and for the decoration of the greenhouse or conservatory, forming sheets of pleasing foliage, and in many cases myriads of brilliant coloured flowers.

All the plants enumerated here are hardy, except those marked with a star *, these are best adapted for cool greenhouse or conservatory climbers.

- AKEBIA QUINATA**, a slender twining plant with greyish white flowers, and pretty effective foliage. 1/6 each.
- AMPELOPSIS** *HEDERACEA* clinging variety, *HIRSUTA*, *HUMIFOLIA*, *HOGGI*, *SEMPERVIRENS*, *VEITCHI* and *VEITCHI PURPUREA*. 1/- to 2/6 each, according to variety.
- ***BIGNONIA** (*Trumpet Flower*), *CAPREOLATA*, *COCCINEA*, *RADICANS*, *RADICANS MAJOR*, *SANGUINEA*, *GRANDIFLORA* and *THUNBERGI*, these are very pretty and attractive climbers, either for a warm south or west wall, or as a climber for cold house or conservatory, where they will thrive well and produce enormous quantities of flowers. 1/6 to 2/6 each.
- BRIDGESIA SPICATA**, a very pretty evergreen climber, adhering to walls like Ivy, and producing myriads of small white flowers. 1/- each.
- CAPRIFOLIUM** *PERICLYMENUM PRÆCOX* and *SEROTINA*, very useful free flowering Honeysuckles, grow very freely. 1/- each.
- ***COBÆA SCANDENS**, a rampant growing climber for south or west wall, or for a cool house, where it will cover a large space in a short time. 9d. each.
- CORCHORUS** *JAPONICA ALBA*, *JAPONICA FL. PL.*, bright double yellow, *JAPONICA VARIEGATA*. 9d. to 1/6 each.
- CRATEGUS LELANDI**, a charming climber, having berries somewhat paler in colour than *pyracantha*, and producing most freely, even upon very young plants, enormous quantities of orange-scarlet berries. 1/6 each; 12/- per dozen.
- CYDONIA** *JAPONICA*, *JAPONICA ALBA*, *JAPONICA MAULEI*, these make very attractive and showy wall shrubs, being of easy growth, very free flowering, followed by abundance of fruit in early autumn, which can be cooked as apples, and make a nice preserve. 1/6 each.
- ESCALONIA MONTEVIDENSIS**, *INGRAMI* and *MACRANTHA*, these are among the most showy and attractive shrubby climbers we have, being of quick and easy growth, foliage dark shiny green, flowers freely, white, pink, and red. 1/6 each; 12/- per dozen.
- ***HABROTHAMNUS COCCINEA** and *ELEGANS*, pretty free flowering cool greenhouse climbers. 1/6 ea.
- HEDERA** (*Green Leaf Varieties*), *ATROPURPUREA*, *CANARIENSE*, *DIGITATA*, *LOBATA MAJOR*, *LUCIDA*, *SAGGITIFOLIA* and *TAURICA*. 1/6 each; 6 distinct varieties for 6/-
- HEDERA** (*Variegated-leaved Varieties*).—*CHRYSOPHYLLA*, *CAYENDISHI*, *MADERIENSIS VARIEGATA*, *LATIFOLIA MACULATA*, *MARGINATA RUBRA*, *MARGINATA GRANDIS*, *MARGINATA ROBUSTA*, *ELEGANTISSIMA MARGINATA MAJOR*, *JAPONICA VARIEGATA*, *MARMORATA MINOR*, *RHOMBOIDEA VARIEGATA*. 1/6 each; 15/- per dozen.
- JESSAMINE** *FRUTICANS*, *NUDIFLORUM*, *NUDIFLORUM AUREUM*, *REVOLUTUM*, *OFFICINALIS* and *WALLICHIANUM*, 9d., 1/- and 1/6 each.
- LONICERA AUREA RETICULATA**, *BRACHYPODA*, *FLEXUOSA* and *HALLI*, 9d. to 1/6 each.
- ***MYRSIPHYLLUM** (*Smilax*) *ASPARAGOIDES*.—A beautiful greenhouse climber, growing with amazing rapidity, producing long slender twining stems thickly set with minute light green foliage, invaluable for cutting purposes, 1/6 each; 15/- per dozen.

MISCELLANEOUS CLIMBING PLANTS—CONTINUED.

MAGNOLIA GRANDIFLORA.—This is one of the most useful hardy ornamental flowering trees I know of, it has bold Laurel-like foliage of great substance, producing an abundance of large salver shaped flowers, very sweetly scented. I have a fine stock of strong healthy plants well furnished with shoots and foliage, established in pots, 2½ to 3½ feet high, 5/- each.

MAGNOLIA EXONIENSIS and **SOULANGEANA**, 2/6, 3/6 and 5/- each.

PASSIFLORA CERULEA, **CONSTANCE ELLIOTT**, **EDULIS**, ***HYBRIDA** and ***LAWSONI**, 1/- to 2/6 each.

***PLUMBAGO CAPENSIS** and **CAPENSIS ALBA**, 1/- and 1/6 each.

ROSES, Climbing, **BOUQUET D'OR**, **CHESHUNT HYBRID**, **DUNDEE RAMBLER**, **GLOIRE DE DIJON**, **MARECHAL NEIL**, **WILLIAM ALLEN RICHARDSON**, **RUGA**, **FELICITE PERPETUE**, **BENNETT'S SEEDLING**, 1/- and 1/6 each.

MINIATURE CHINA AND FAIRY ROSES IN POIS, in great variety, 9d. to 1/6 each; 7/6 to 15/- per dozen. For names and descriptions see my *Spring Catalogue*, No. 146.

JAPANESE ROSES, **RUGOSA**, **ALBA**, **RUBRA**, **ROSEA** and **MRS. GEORGE BRUANT**, 1/6 each.

NEW FLOWERING SHRUB, "GENISTA ANDREANA."

I have much pleasure in calling attention to this sterling novelty, it is unquestionably one of the most remarkable that has been introduced for many years, being a wild variety of the Common Broom, *Genista scoparia*, and was found growing wild in the North of France. It is equally as free flowering as the common yellow variety, the upper petals are a rich golden yellow, while the lower ones are of a rich velvety crimson, a remarkable combination and exceedingly effective. This will become one of the most popular hardy flowering shrubs in cultivation. 2/6 each; extra strong, 3/6 each.

CISTUS, IN VARIETY.

A very effective and useful group of Hardy Shrubs. Some are adapted for the border, others for the rockery, soon forming large masses. They are easily grown, perfectly hardy, producing an abundance of most brilliant-coloured flowers, and continuing in bloom for a long period.

CRISPA.
FLORENTINA.

LADANIFERUS.
LAURIFOLIA.

SALVEFOLIUS.
UNDULATUS.

9d. and 1/- each. 6 distinct varieties for 4/6.

For full description see my *Spring Catalogue*, No. 146.

COLLECTION OF ROCKWORK SHRUBS.

Azaleas, GHENT or AMERICAN, well furnished with bloom and buds, 2/- each; 18/- per doz.

— **MOLLIS** (NAMED VARIETIES), for winter and spring flowering, 15 to 20 flowers on each, 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

— **SEEDLINGS**, good plants covered with flower buds, 1/6 each; 12/- per dozen.

Cotoneaster MICROPHYLLA, 1/- each.

— **SIMMONDSI**, 9d. each.

— **THYMEFOLIA**, 9d. each.

Diplopappus CHRYSOPHYLLA, 1/- each.

Daphne NEAPOLITANA, 1/- each.

Ericas, in variety, 9d. each; 6/- per doz.

Gariya ELLIPTICA, 1/6 each.

Genista ALBA and **PRÆCOX**, 9d. and 1/- each.

Hypericum CALYGINUM, 6d. each; 5/- doz.

Menziesia POLIFOLIA and **ALBA**, 9d. and 1/- each.

Olearia HASTII, 1/- and 1/6 each.

Pernettya SPECIOSA, 1/- each.

Skimmia JAPONICA, 1/- each.

Ulex HISPANICA, 1/- each.

Veronica BUXIFOLIA, 9d. each; 6/- per doz.

Euonymus RADICANS VARIEGATA, 9d. and 1/- ea.

SINGLE MARGUERITES.

Bedding Gem.—Although coloured leaved plants are not held in high esteem for bedding purposes, yet I have every confidence in recommending this new variety, seeing it possesses great advantages over every other plant of this character. It is a sport from the old *C. frutescens*, remarkably dwarf and compact, growing only four inches high, the woody stems clasping the ground and covered with light golden yellow foliage, each leaf having just a tinge of green running through the centre, but not sufficient to mar its golden appearance. It is remarkably free blooming, pure white, about the size of a florin, on short stems, continuing throughout the summer. For edging, massing, and a variety of other purposes it is unquestionably an acquisition, and distinct from every other variety. 9d. ; 7/6 doz.

Etoile d'Or.—This is indispensable for summer decoration, remarkably free growing, producing myriads of flowers throughout the summer, which are invaluable for cutting. For winter decoration it is equally valuable, and immense quantities are grown both for decorative purposes as well as for cutting. The flowers are large, of a beautiful soft rich yellow, and are held in high esteem by everyone for cutting purposes. 9d. each; 7/6 per doz.

Frutescens.—*The Garden*, in speaking of this beautiful variety, says, "Its finely cut foliage, of a bluish-grey tint, harmonises charmingly with the white Daisy-like flowers, which are pretty and not too large. The beauty of a finely developed specimen, with its myriads of starry flowers, have quite a dazzling effect; the plant is tolerably hardy, though only in very favoured localities can it remain out of doors unprotected. In many gardens the Marguerites are used with admirable effect in association with the finer sorts of sub-tropical plants. 9d. each; 7/6 per doz.

Halleri major.—Flowers pure white, free blooming, very useful for cutting. 9d. each; 7/6 per doz.
— **maxima.**—Certainly one of the finest of the group, the flowers, which are considerably larger than the preceding variety, are of the purest white; the habit also is very good. 9d. each; 7/6 doz.

Madame Farfouillon.—Very dwarf growing variety, pure white, fine for bedding. 9d. ; 7/6 doz.

Pinnatifidum.—*The Gardeners' Magazine*, in speaking of this, says, "the variety labelled *pinnatifidum* is perhaps the most beautiful of all." My experience of this plant justifies me in bearing out the opinion of the above "Journal." It is of a peculiarly neat and graceful appearance, so fine is the foliage that it is sometimes spoken of as the "Hair-leaved Marguerite;" the flowers are pure white, and the general appearance of the plant distinct from anything in cultivation. 9d. ; 7/6 doz.

6 distinct varieties, strong plants in pots, for4/-
12 in 6 varieties, for7/6

BLUE MARGUERITE (*Agathæa Cælestis*, Flower of Heaven).

A very useful half-hardy plant, adapted for summer bedding and for cutting purposes. It forms a very neat compact evergreen plant, producing flowers of the loveliest sky-blue, about the size of a shilling, and can be had in bloom the whole of summer and winter, and from its lovely colour will be found very useful for conservatory during winter when blue flowers are scarce. 6d. each; 5/- doz.

NICOTIANA AFFINIS (*Flowering Tobacco*).

Is a sweetly interesting and useful plant for greenhouse or conservatory decoration, of free growth, and producing quantities of tubular shaped white flowers, which are deliciously fragrant, especially in the evenings and mornings. 6d. each; 5/- per doz.

HARDY FUCHSIAS.

A group of hardy ornamental shrubs, forming luxuriant bushes in almost any soil or situation, producing in great profusion high-coloured flowers during the summer and autumn months. In the South of England, near the coast especially, many of them grow 6 to 8 feet high, and form a prominent feature in the shrubbery borders, and can be used with great effect for making hedges, screens, &c. Many of the dwarf kinds are very useful for the rockery, forming miniature bushes 9 to 12 inches high, which are covered with red, crimson, and scarlet flowers.

All are hardy except those with an *, these want a slight protection during winter.

Strong plants to flower this season, 6/- per doz.

CONICA, DISCOLOR, DRAMIE, EXONIENSIS, ELYSE, GLOBOSA, GRACILIS, LONGIFEDUNCULATA, *PROCUMBENS, TRICOLOR, *REFLEXA, RICARTONI, SANGUINEA, THOMPSONI, VIRGATA, VENUS VICTRIX.

ORIENTAL POPPIES.

I have for many years been devoting a great deal of attention to the improvement of this family, and have succeeded in raising a number of very beautiful varieties. A few years since they were scarcely known, but now they are a feature at every Exhibition, and are being grown by the Market growers for cutting purposes. For out-door decoration there is nothing to equal them, their gorgeous flowers, and their immense size, render them conspicuous in any position, while the Iceland Poppies form fine subjects for massing, for borders, the rockery, and for cutting, for which purpose they are specially adapted. The Oriental varieties are all perennial, hardy, thriving in any soil, producing an abundance of most brilliant flowers.

Next Season I hope to offer a New White Oriental Poppy, the first ever offered.

Brilliant (Ware), a strong-growing variety with vivid vermilion flowers, having large black blotches in the centre. The flowers resemble very much a huge *P. umbrosum*, but are much larger, and more effective. Awarded a F.C.C. 6d. ea.; 5/- doz.

Bracteata (true), a charming species, producing numerous stout leafy stems, 2½ feet in height, with immense deep blood crimson flowers having a black blotch at the base of each petal, with conspicuous leafy bracts. 1s. each; 10s. 6d. doz. Seed, 6d. per pkt.

Blush Queen (Ware), the flowers are large and of a pale blush pink, the base of the petals being blotched with deep purple. Was awarded a First-class Certificate by the R.H.S. 9d.; 8s. doz.

Immaculata (Ware), a very distinct variety having bright orange-scarlet cup-shaped flowers, without the black blotch, which is so characteristic of this family. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

Little Prince (Ware), miniature form, only growing 2 feet, with wiry stems, and small fiery-scarlet flowers produced in great profusion; this will be eagerly sought after for cutting purposes on account of its colour, size and quantity of flowers produced. 1/6.

Multiflora, this very distinct variety introduced from Central Europe has proved a very valuable acquisition, the small cup-shaped blood-crimson flowers being highly appreciated for cutting purposes. 6d. each; 5/- doz. Seed, 6d. packet.

Oriental (The large Oriental Poppy), a bold and very showy old-fashioned garden plant, producing, when well established, large quantities of crimson-scarlet flowers, usually with a black blotch which is so characteristic of this group. 6d.; 5/- doz. Seed, 3d. packet.

Oriental plenus (Ware), another great advance in the improvement of this family, being a really double form, the centre being well filled with long narrow filaments. The flowers are very large, of an orange-scarlet, and wonderfully free blooming, a first-class variety. 1/6 each.



PAPAVER ROYAL SCARLET.

ORIENTAL POPPIES.—CONTINUED.

- Pilosum**, a distinct species, very dwarf, flowers brick-red, a most peculiar shade. 9d.; 7/6 doz.
- Prince of Orange** (*Ware*), dwarf compact habit, producing an abundance of orange-scarlet flowers, quite a distinct shade. This variety was the great attraction at the great Botanic Exhibition, where it was awarded a First-class Certificate. 1/-; 10/6 doz.
- Royal Scarlet** (*Ware*), is a strong growing variety, 3½ feet in height. The flowers are unequalled for size and brilliancy, when fully expanded measuring 12 inches across, and of a glowing scarlet colour. One of the most remarkable varieties yet raised, and one of the grandest hardy perennials that can possibly be imagined. Awarded First-class Certificate. 1s. each; 10/6 doz.
- Salmon Queen** (*Ware*), quite a novel shade amongst Poppies, and I am sure will be much sought after on account of its colour, which is a charming soft salmon scarlet. 1/6 each; 15s. doz.
- Semi-plena** (*Ware*), this was very much admired in my collection of cut flowers at the Crystal Palace Show, and was honoured with a First-class Certificate. The flowers are of a glowing rich crimson, having two or more rows of petals, giving them the appearance of being double. 1/- each; 10/6 per doz. Seed, mixed colours, 6d. packet.
- Six distinct varieties for 4/6, 6/-, and 8/-. One of each of the above varieties for 10/-

ICELAND POPPIES (*Papaver nudicaule*).

No words of mine can convey any idea of the beauty of this charming group, and I am not in the least surprised at the enormous demand for both seeds and plants, their simplicity, elegance, and bold bright colours, commanding the attention of every one, and the more they are known the more they will be appreciated. The figure given in my Seed Catalogue will convey a good idea of the group, they grow about one foot in height, forming neat compact tufts of glaucous Fern-like foliage, surmounted by numerous flowers having a pleasant Lilac-perfume, continuing in bloom the whole of summer. For massing, the rockery, borders, or for cutting purposes, they are the most lovely in my collection.

- Nudicaule** (*Yellow Iceland Poppy*), very showy, clear yellow flowers. 6d.; 5/- doz. Seed, 6d. pkt.
- Nudicaule alba** (*White Iceland Poppy*), beautiful pure white flowers with golden-yellow anthers, forming a striking contrast, one of the best for cutting. 6d.; 5/- doz. Seed, 6d. packet.
- Nudicaule Miniatum** (*Orange Iceland Poppy*), has brilliant orange-scarlet flowers. Awarded a First-Class Certificate by the Royal Horticultural Society. 6d.; 5/- doz. Seed, 6d. packet.

SALVIAS.

A most important group of autumn and winter-flowering perennials, consisting principally of tender varieties, which should be grown in pots during summer out of doors, and placed in a cold house or conservatory before frost sets in, when they will continue in flower through the winter, at which season they are exceedingly handsome, forming a beautiful contrast to other plants in flower at the same time.

The following are the best and most effective; all are more or less tender, except S. Pitcheri.

- fulgens**, flowers small but exceedingly numerous, of a rich glowing scarlet. 9d.; 7/6 per doz.
- Grahami**, flowers scarlet, quite distinct, and very useful for cutting. 9d.; 7/6 per doz.
- patens**, a grand border perennial, growing about three feet, flowers of great size, at least two inches in length, of a lovely Gentian-blue colour. 6d.; 5/- per doz.
- **alba**, in growth similar to preceding, and perhaps equally as useful for general decorative purposes, producing pure white flowers. 9d.; 8/- doz.
- Pitcheri**, slender branching stems three feet high, closely set with numerous azure blue flowers, a first-class hardy perennial. 1/-; 9/- doz.

The above 5 distinct varieties for 3/6.

*Gaillardia maxima.*

PERENNIAL GAILLARDIAS.

This is one of the most important families in my Collection and should be a feature in every garden. The improvement in this family during the past few years is so great that they are practically indispensable, there is nothing like them, and I know of no plants that produce such a quantity of bloom, and such gorgeous colours. They have been a great feature at all the Exhibitions, and I have much pleasure in offering the following, all of which are great favourites and have met with universal approbation. They are all hardy, very free blooming, will thrive in any ordinary border, and very useful for cutting, the flowers lasting a week in water, and adapted for almost any floral arrangement. They grow about 2½ feet in height, are of a bushy habit, producing myriads of blossoms from June to October. The Fig. above of *G. grandiflora maxima*, which was made in my Nursery, gives a capital idea of that variety and also conveys a good idea of the family in general.

Awarded a Silver Medal for Gaillardias at the International Exhibition.

Admiration.—This charming variety has proved to be one of the best ever raised. The flowers are of a rich golden yellow with a zone of the brightest vermilion round the disc. For this variety I was awarded a F.C.C. by the Royal Horticultural Society. 1/6 each; 15/- doz.

Attraction (Ware).—A very distinct variety, flowers very large, of an intense vermilion, edged with a broad golden band. 1/- each; 10/6 doz.

Aurea (Ware).—Another very handsome variety bearing extraordinary fine large flowers, of a rich golden yellow colour, and a dark brown disc. 1/6 each.

GAILLARDIAS—CONTINUED.

- Aurora (Ware).**—A grand acquisition, flowers of great substance, of a fine orange yellow colour, heavily veined with deep crimson with quill-like florets, a very interesting variety. 1/6 each.
- Diana (Ware).**—Is one of the finest of the group, flowers of a deep crimson, with a zone of orange yellow. 9d. each; 8/- doz.
- Distinction (Ware).**—A very remarkable and beautiful variety, flowers dark crimson and yellow, with quilled-like florets, giving it a very distinct and novel appearance. 9d. each; 8/- doz.
- Lutea (Ware).**—Large yellow flowers with a brownish disc, very distinct. 9d.; 8/- doz.
- Magnifica (Ware).**—A very attractive variety with rich golden yellow flowers, a band of glowing carmine round the disc, a fine massive flower. 9d.; 8/- doz.
- Maxima (Ware).**—This is, without a question, the finest Gaillardia ever raised. When exhibited at the various flower shows it was the admiration of everyone, and was awarded a First-Class Certificate at the Crystal Palace, July 9th. The gigantic flowers are of an intense blood-crimson, margined with golden-yellow. 9d. each; 8/- doz.
- Perfection (Ware).**—A variety of great merit, which, I feel sure, will meet with approbation from all lovers of hardy flowers. It is of a dwarf habit, rendering it admirably adapted for bedding purposes. The flowers are of a brilliant scarlet margined with lemon-yellow. 1/-; 10/6 doz.
- Splendida (Ware).**—A magnificent variety, and one of the richest crimsons we have; the flowers are of great substance, slightly margined with orange-yellow. 9d.; 8/- doz.
- Sunset (Ware).**—A very novel and distinct variety, with rich golden-yellow flowers, which are distinctly veined with crimson. 1/6 each; 15/- doz.
- Surprise (Ware).**—A novelty of great merit, which is much admired by everyone, the flowers are large, of a rich claret-red colour, slightly margined with a light sulphur-yellow; one of the most effective and distinct varieties in this group. 2/6 each.
- Venus (Ware).**—A most effective variety, flowers perfect in form, of a brilliant crimson shade, the disc being almost black, surrounded with a band of a rich golden-yellow colour, one of the most handsome in this group. 1/6 each.
- Hybrida (mixed).**—These are raised from my own strain and can be depended upon to produce nothing but really first-class flowers. They vary in colour from the palest primrose to the deepest crimson, invaluable for cutting purposes. Extra strong plants, 6d. each; 5/- dozen.

6 distinct varieties for 4/- and 6/-; 12 in 6 distinct varieties for 7/6 and 10/6.

Seed, Choice Mixed, 6d. per packet.

PRIMULA SIEBOLDI.

A great impetus has been given to the cultivation of this family, partially through the magnificent exhibits at all the great Spring Shows:—Manchester, York, London, and other places, and also to the fact that the general public have found that they possess far greater merits, and are much easier cultivated than they anticipated. I know of no group of plants so easily cultivated having such a range of colour and so elegant as these. They can be grown by anyone in the open borders, on the rockery, in pots or pans in cool frames or conservatory, or even in dwelling houses, and when finished flowering can be planted out ready for lifting for next season's decoration.

New Varieties from18/- to 24/- doz.

Older Varieties, 6 distinct varieties for4/-, 6/- and 9/-

— — — 12 distinct varieties for9/-, 12/- and 15/-

Mixed Seedling varieties, strong flowering plants5/- dozen.

BORDER PINKS—SHOW OR LACED.

An indispensable section of Hardy Florists' Flowers, of comparatively easy growth, and deserving of the most extensive cultivation; they are, in fact, so serviceable that they should be used more or less in the decoration of all perennial borders. Commencing to flower in June and continuing until the Carnations are expanding, they must be considered a most valuable group, as well for cutting purposes as for the decoration of the border.

From the JOURNAL OF HORTICULTURE.—“LACED PINKS.—There are no sweeter flowers than these, and though generally grown as a florist flower, the Laced Pink is most suitable for growing with much less attention. Strong sorts should be chosen, and I rather prefer the heavy laced varieties to the lighter flowers, but any of them are fine. The same plant will bloom year after year, but young plants are much to be preferred, the bloom being much larger, and I think sweeter, from young plants than from old ones.”

My selection, 6/- per doz.; 40/- per 100. Purchaser's selection, 7/6 per doz.

BORDER PINKS—FANCY OR SELF.

This section consists principally of Selves and are in great demand for cutting purposes, seeing they are similar to a Carnation but flowering six weeks earlier and all exceedingly fragrant, and will be found a most useful group for general decoration, being perfectly hardy, perennial and easily grown.

My selection, 5/- per doz.; 35/- per 100.

NEW PINK—“HER MAJESTY.”

This is undoubtedly one of the greatest Novelties of this Century, and one that will hold its own as long as Pinks are cultivated. It is far ahead of anything yet seen, and all the old white varieties will sink into insignificance by the side of this great beauty. It has become one of the most “popular of the day,” and is being grown by acres to supply the demand for cut flowers. It has been freely exhibited, and wherever shown is the great attraction at every Exhibition, and the demand will be simply enormous.

Strong flowering plants, 1/-; 10/6 per doz.

TREE CARNATIONS for Autumn and Winter Flowering.

A fine collection of all the leading kinds for Autumn delivery. 18/- and 24/- per doz.

MALMAISON CARNATIONS.

SOUVENIR DE LA MALMAISON (Blush Variety).—This is the old variety; a favourite with everyone, and one grown in immense quantities for cutting purposes. It is a strong grower, of a tree-like habit, producing flowers 4 inches across, of a soft flesh colour, and as fragrant as a Rose. I have a fine stock in the finest possible health. Strong, 9d. each; 8/- doz. Extra strong, for immediate flowering, 2/- each; 18/- per doz.

SOUVENIR DE LA MALMAISON (Deep Pink Variety).—This is a form of recent introduction, and is to all intents and purposes a deep-coloured variety of the old *Malmaison*, being considerably deeper in colour, and on that account well meriting general cultivation, and one in every sense of the highest possible worth. Strong Established Plants, 3/6 each; 36/- per doz.

SOUVENIR DE LA MALMAISON (Crimson Variety).—This is a grand novelty, flowers large, very perfect in form, of a deep velvety crimson-scarlet and wonderfully free blooming; the plant is remarkably dwarf and of a sturdy habit, and very easily grown. For Conservatory decoration one of the best varieties in cultivation. Strong flowering plants, 2/6 each; 24/- doz.

NEW YELLOW MALMAISON CARNATION.

PRIDE OF GREAT BRITAIN.—This is without a question the finest Novelty of this Century, flowers in size and formation like the common *Malmaison*, but of a pleasing rich yellow, the largest of this colour ever seen; to be distributed in the autumn.

Helianthus, or Perennial Sunflowers.

The Perennial Sunflowers are the most effective in the whole range of late Summer and Autumn flowering plants, indispensable for large borders, woodland walks, &c., and especially where cut flowers are wanted in quantity. They are all remarkably free-flowering, and you can scarcely find a situation or soil in which they will not succeed. For naturalizing, some kinds are specially adapted, especially *rigidus*, *lætiflorus*, and *maximus*; these should be planted in masses, where they would form sheets of golden-yellow flowers, and of great value for cutting or decoration.

lævis (*Heliopsis*), *atrorubens*, of previous catalogues.—A strong vigorous grower, at least 4 feet, flowers small, of a deep orange yellow, a very distinct shade. 9d. each; 7/6 per doz.

lætiflorus (*rigidus semi-plenus*).—This is an American species, similar to *H. rigidus*, but with larger flowers of a rich dark-yellow colour, the disc also being yellow instead of purple as in *H. rigidus*, and semi-double, indispensable for late cutting, coming into bloom long after the other Sunflowers have finished, and when flowers are becoming valuable. 9d. each; 8/- per doz.

multiflorus maximus (*The Great Perennial Sunflower*).—An enormous growing variety, 6 to 7ft., producing immense golden single flowers, almost as large as the annual species. This should be grown in every garden where sufficient space could be found for it. 9d. each; 8/- per doz.

multiflorus (*Bouquet d'Or*).—This is totally distinct from all others, having a character peculiarly its own, and so distinct as to attract the attention of everyone. It is remarkably free blooming, in fact the flowers are so dense as to form a complete bouquet; every flower standing out boldly from the foliage, and of the richest golden-yellow imaginable, and distinct in form from any other. See fig. in my Illustrated Catalogue, No. 143. 1/6 each.

multiflorus grandiplenus (*Soleil d'Or*).—This is a great favourite, growing about 4 feet in height—composed of numerous rigid stems smothered with large golden-yellow flowers, and for cutting and general decoration one of the very finest plants in the whole of my collection. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

giganteus.—Stems 8 feet high, bearing bright yellow flowers in great abundance. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

orgyalis.—A late autumn perennial, growing from 5 to 6 feet in height, having long graceful foliage, and numerous bright yellow flowers on short stalks. 1/-

rigidus (*Harpalum*).—One of the best, flowers very large, of a bright golden yellow, with a black disc, it grows about 3 feet in height, flowers very freely, and forms a very attractive object, requiring plenty of room as it grows very rapidly. 9d.; 8/- doz.

rigidus præcox.—A variety of *Helianthus rigidus*, about three feet in height, having large deep yellow flowers with a yellow centre, quite distinct from *H. rigidus*, and three weeks earlier in bloom. 6d.; 5/- per doz.

strumosus.—A tall species, flowers dark yellow, very pretty in the shrubby border. 9d.; 8/- doz.

ASTERS (Michaelmas Daisies).

A beautiful group of autumn flowering perennials, exceedingly varied in colour, size and habit, but all hardy, easily grown, and producing an immense quantity of flowers, and invaluable for the decoration of the border.

The following list is a first-class selection, including all the good old ones and the best of the new ones.

- Acris**, neat bushy habit, 2 feet in height, smothered with lilac-purple starry flowers. 9d.
- Amellus Bessarabicus**, one of the finest of this group, very early in bloom, producing large purplish-blue flowers with orange centres, 2 feet in height. 9d.
- Corymbosa** (*Biotia*), a grand variety for any position, having large cordate leaves deeply toothed at the base, having blackish-purple stems 3 feet in height, bearing large corymbose heads of starry white flowers with yellow centres, forming a very attractive object. Strong plants, 1/-
- Diffusus horizontalis**, numerous branching stems, smothered with red and white flowers, 2 feet high: very symmetrical in growth, and exceedingly effective. 9d.
- Ericoides**, very distinct, long graceful sprays, completely covered with small white flowers. 1/-
- Grandiflorus** (*true*), the largest of all Asters, and the most lovely colour, a rich violet-blue being the nearest approach, of medium height, wonderfully free blooming, and one of the most beautiful autumn flowering perennials in cultivation; should be grown in a warm situation. Flowering plants, 2/6 each.
- Linosyris**, neat in habit, about 2 feet in height, bearing heads of bright yellow flowers. 9d.
- Longifolius var. formosus** (*Madame Soyeunce*), symmetrical bushes, 2 feet in height, covered with bright rose coloured flowers. 9d.
- Multiflorus**, branching sprays of small pure white flowers, very distinct. 9d.
- Novæ Angliæ, Melpomene**, very large bluish-purple flowers, with orange centres. 9d.
- — — **rosea**, clear rose-coloured flowers on stems 4 feet high, distinct. 9d.
- — — **rubra**, bright rich crimson flowers, forming a pleasing contrast. 1/-
- — — **William Bowman** (*new*), flowers slightly incurved, of a deep violet-purple, without doubt the finest of this section. 1/-
- Novi Belgii, Archer Hind**, erect habit, forming compact heads of soft blue flowers. 1/6.
- — — **decorus**, heads of lilac flowers, 3 feet in height, very showy. 9d.
- — — **densus**, another fine variety, 4 feet high, bearing heads of pale blue flowers. 9d.
- — — **formosissimus**, heads of deep rosy-lilac flowers on stems 4 feet high. 9d.
- — — **Harper Crewe**, stems 3 feet high, bearing heads of large pure white flowers with yellow centres. 1/-
- — — **Lady Trevelyan**, another fine variety with large pure white flowers, 3 feet high. 1/-
- — — **Pluto**, heads of bright blue flowers on stems 3 feet high. 9d.
- — — **Purity**, one of the best, producing large pure white flowers on stems 4 feet high. 1/-
- — — **Robert Parker**, large sprays of beautiful lavender-blue flowers with yellow centres, extra fine. 9d.
- Polyphyllus**, medium sized white flowers, very abundant bloomer. 9d.
- Ptarmicoides**, neat bushy habit, smothered with pure white flowers in August. 1/-
- Turbinellus**, long slender sprays with large lavender flowers, very fine. 1/-
- Vimineus**, very graceful in habit, long slender sprays of pure white flowers about 2½ feet high. 1/-

6 varieties for 4/-; 12 varieties for 7/6.

NOVELTIES IN HARDY PLANTS.

ACHILLEA PTARMICA, "THE PEARL."—This is one of the finest introductions for many years, and will rapidly find a place in every garden, and be grown by acres by the Market Growers. It is a variety of the common double *Sneezewort*, which is known to all as one of the very best perennials in cultivation for cutting purposes. The variety is similar in every respect, but having flowers more than double the size, much purer in colour, and produced in such marvellous quantities as to render it an exceptional plant; second to none in my collection, and invaluable for almost any purpose. Was awarded a First-Class Certificate at the International Horticultural Exhibition, Earl's Court, July 5th, 1892. 1/6 each; 15/- doz.

CAMPANULA GRANDIFLORA (PLATYCODON) (WAHLENBERGIA).—Although the time has long gone by when this could be called a novelty, yet it is still very rare in gardens. Its most striking feature is the gigantic glaucous blue balloon-like blossoms, the colour being equally apparent on both surfaces, which shows to great advantage on the intense blue ground. When fully expanded they are 4 or more inches across, and are borne in considerable numbers; a plant of average size producing 50 flowers. It is inferior to no other autumn flowering plant, and I have much pleasure in again offering it. Flowering plants, 9d. each; 8/- doz.

CAMPANULA GRANDIFLORA ALBA.—Similar in habit to preceding, but with pure white flowers; a fine companion plant. 1/-

HELENIUM GRANDICEPHALUM STRIATUM.—A long lost plant which I have pleasure in re-introducing, although a much smaller stock than I unusually offer, and will be shortly sold out till next spring, hence the necessity of securing early. Height 4 feet, very robust erect habit, flowers on large branching heads, forming a complete mass of deep orange blossoms, irregularly striped and blotched with purple, one of the most distinct and effective of all our autumn blooming plants. 1/6 each; 15/- doz.

HEUCHERA SANGUINEA.—One of the most beautiful rock or border plants I have ever had the pleasure of introducing, and I am afraid it will be a long time before another possessing such merits will be offered to the public. I think I may safely say that it is one of the most beautiful plants at present in cultivation, forming a neat compact tuft of cordate leaves, five to seven lobed, and these again sharply crenated, of a light green colour, and slightly hairy. The flower stems are slender and much branched, from 12 to 18 inches in height, covered with bright crimson tubular flowers lasting in bloom the whole of the summer. It is a true perennial, quite hardy and very easily grown. 9d., 8/- doz.; stronger 1/-, 10/- doz.

HYPERICUM MOSERIANUM.—I have much pleasure in again calling attention to this beautiful plant, which was offered for the first time last spring. It is the first known hybrid in this family, and is supposed to be a cross between *H. patulum* and *H. Calycinum*, the common St. John's Wort, partaking of the habit of the former with the flowers of the latter, and from its great beauty and distinctive character will command the attention of every one interested in first-class border plants. It is exceedingly graceful, producing long slender much-branched stems leafy to the base, and all drooping towards the points and marvellously free blooming, of great size, of a golden-yellow, which are rendered still more effective by the numerous yellow stamens and crimson anthers. It is perfectly hardy and free growing, forming a bush about 3 feet in height, and when established is one of the most beautiful Hardy Perennials. Fine strong plants, 1/6 each; 15/- doz.

INULA GLANDULOSA.—Notwithstanding its introduction in 1840, this noble species is a comparative stranger in British gardens. It is a native of the Caucassian Alps, and is a Prince among its kind, its large golden flowers, 4 inches across, are wonderfully effective, and are admired by everyone. I can strongly recommend it as a really first-class perennial. 1/- each; 10/- doz.

CHRYSANthemUM MAXIMUM (Hardy Marguerite).—This is totally distinct from any other plant in cultivation, and is a first-class plant both for the decoration of the border and for cutting purposes. It is free growing, not more than 2 feet high, forming a large bush, which is literally smothered with pure white flowers of great substance and very symmetrical, and quite as large as *C. latifolium*. For cutting purposes it is held in the highest esteem, as the flowers last over a week when cut. 9d. each; 8/- doz.

LYCHNIS VISCARIA SPLENDENS PLENA.—Of the numerous red or crimson flowered forms of *Lychnis*, this is considered by every authority to be the finest. The flowers are large and perfectly double, of a deep scarlet, verging on crimson, and closely arranged on erect wiry stems, much after the fashion of a model "Stock." It is perfectly hardy, free blooming, among the most useful perennials in my collection, and one of the first and foremost plants in existence for cutting or border decoration. Strong plants, 9d. each; 8/- per dozen.

NOVELTIES IN HARDY PLANTS—CONTINUED.

DOUBLE WALLFLOWERS.—The following two old-fashioned varieties are now scarcely ever seen, although they are among the most effective of our spring flowers. They prefer a moderately dry soil, and are never seen to advantage better than when planted at the base of a south wall, where they for malarge bushes which are completely covered with large massive heads of yellow or crimson flowers.

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